

AIRTEL

July 8, 1955

SAC, Los Angeles

(Airmail)

UNSUB; JOHN FOSTER DULLES - VICTIM, EXTORTION.

For your information and further investigative attention there are attached hereto two copies of an anonymous communication received by the victim. The communication which is self-explanatory was contained in an envelope that bore the postmark Los Angeles, California, June 25, 1955. The envelope was addressed to the victim at Washington, D. C., in script in what appears to be ink and in the upper left-hand corner the return address 1148 Venice Avenue, Los Angeles, California, appears. The communication which bore the date June 25, 1955, is also written in script on what appears to be a thin white paper.

Immediately discuss the contents of the communication with USA to determine if a violation within the Bureau's jurisdiction exists. Be guided by his opinion. Immediately inform the Bureau of the results of the consultation.

The original letter and envelope are being retained in the files of the FBI Laboratory for comparison with the anonymous letter file. You will be advised of the results of this comparison and furnished with photographic copies of the original letter and envelope. Any further examination or comparison desired by you should be requested directly of the FBI Laboratory.

Two copies of this airtel are furnished the WFO for information purposes.

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DATE	7/8/55
BY	hph

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2 cc: WFO (Information) (Enclosures - 2)

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NOTE: Received in Liaison 7-7-55, and furnished Investigative Division.

See Note on Page two.

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NOTE: Extortion letter refers to Dulles in obscene terms. Threatens him because he flew in a plane to within 40 miles of the Russian border and could have caused an incident that would precipitate a new world war. Anonymous author claims he was in last "police action."

[redacted] Security, State Dept. advised Liaison that personal aide to Dulles and who travels with Dulles is aware of contents of letter. State cognizant that obtaining protection for Dulles is their responsibility and F.B.I. affords no protection.

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SAC, Los Angeles

July 12, 1955

Director, FBI

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
JOHN FOSTER DULLES - VICTIM
EXTORTION

Re Buairtel to Los Angeles July 8, 1955.

No latent impressions of value for identification purposes developed on letter or envelope postmarked Los Angeles, California, June 25, 1955, and addressed to victim at Washington, D. C.

The letter and envelope are being retained in the laboratory files.

Laboratory report separate.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

JUL 11 1955

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FBI LOS ANGELES

7-11-55

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DIRECTOR, FBI

UNSUB, JOHN FOSTER DULLES ^(N) *Victim Extortion* - VIKEX. REBUAIRTEL 7/8/55. AUSA

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TODAY ADVISED HE WILL, IF UNSUB CAN BE IDENTIFIED, AUTHORIZE PROSECUTION RE EXTORTION. ADDED THAT IF THE MATTER GOES TO INDICTMENT, HE WILL INCLUDE A COUNT UNDER SECTION ONE FOUR SIX ONE /OBSCENE MAIL MATTER/ CONSIDERING UNSUB-S LETTER AS "A FILTHY OR INDECENT WRITING". INVESTIGATION CONTINUING TO IDENTIFY UNSUB.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON D. C.

July 17, 1955

To: SAC, Los Angeles

There follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination of the evidence listed below which was received in the Laboratory by routing slip on July 11, 1955.

Re: UNSUB.;
JOHN FOSTER DULLES - VICTIM
EXTORTION

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

YOUR FILE NO.

FBI FILE NO.

LAB. NO.

D-207637 DG

Examination requested by: Bureau

Reference: 7-11-55

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Specimens:

- Q1 Envelope addressed to "Mr. John Foster Dulles Secretary of State Washington 25, D.C.," postmarked "LOS ANGELES, CALIF. JUN 25 1955 12 M."
Q2 Handwritten three-page letter beginning "Mr. John Foster Dulles, I have...." and ending "....save will be your own."

RESULTS OF EXAMINATION:

Specimens Q1 and Q2 were searched through the appropriate sections of the Anonymous Letter File without effecting an identification. Photographic copies of this material will be added to this file for future reference.

You will be advised separately in regard to the latent fingerprint examination of specimens Q1 and Q2.

Specimen Q1 is a white envelope which measures approximately 9.5 by 4.1 inches and bears no watermark. Specimen Q2 consists of three sheets of white onionskin paper which measure approximately 8.5 by 10.9 inches and bear no watermark.

The evidence listed above is being retained in the files of the Laboratory.

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Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Boardman _____
Mr. Belmont _____
Mr. Mohr _____
Mr. Winterrowd _____
Tele. Room _____
Mr. Holloman _____
Miss Gandy _____

Transmit the following ~~Teletype~~ message to:

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 J. H.

UNSUB; JOHN FOSTER DULLES - VICTIM. EXTORTION. OO LA.

ReMylet 7/15/55.

The Bureau is requested to expeditiously furnish photographic copies of the original letter and envelope in this case.

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AIR MAIL-REGISTERED

Mr. Rosen

Mr. PARSONS

Approved:

Special Agent in Charge

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON D. C.

July 25, 1955

To: SAC, Los Angeles

Re: UNSUB;
JOHN FOSTER DULLES - VICTIM
EXTORTION

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

YOUR FILE NO. 9-1756
FBI FILE NO.
LAB. NO. D-208322 DG

Examination requested by: Los Angeles

Reference: Letter 7/15/55

Examination requested: Document

Specimens:

K1 An envelope and letter bearing the known handwriting of
EDWIN S. PASEK.

Result of examination:

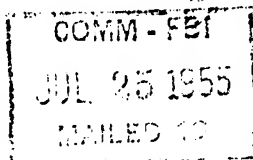
It was concluded that specimens Q1 and Q2 were not
prepared by EDWIN S. PASEK, whose known handwriting has been
designated as specimen K1.

Specimen K1 is returned herewith. No photographs have
been made. Photographs of specimens Q1 and Q2 are being forwarded
herewith.

Enclosure (5) - REGISTERED MAIL

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Los Angeles file shows that PASEK was arrested on April 15, 1950, charged with malicious mischief by the Los Angeles Police Department. At that time he broke a window in a Veterans Administration building, using a rock and garbage can. The arresting officer reported that subject seemed to be unbalanced and angry at the United States Government and the Veterans Administration, also PASEK was drunk when arrested.

It is recognized that there are some things written in the above referenced Q2 which might well be construed to indicate the unknown subject is a Veteran of the Korean War, probably a Private in the Second Division. It would appear that he had been wounded and that he has been married since leaving the service. This is in variance to information as known about PASEK. Q1 has a return address, "1111 Venice Avenue, Los Angeles". There is no record address. An investigation in the 11 block of Venice Boulevard has so far failed to reveal any suspect. Current discussions with various appropriate officials of the Veterans Administration have failed to identify the unknown subject, the only possibility of this is a person who served in the Korean War, who was wounded and who has been married since leaving the service. The only person who fits this description is the unknown subject.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Transmit the following ~~Teletype~~ message to:

FBI, LOS ANGELES

9:45 AM 8/5/55

/ DIRECTOR, FBI (9-28353)

UNSUB; JOHN FOSTER DULLES - VIKEX.

OO: LA.

ReBulet (0-1 Form) 7/29/55, instructing LA
to keep Bureau advised.

Unsuccessful efforts to develop a lead to
identify the subject in this matter have included submission
to the FBI Lab of handwriting taken from a closed LA
extortion case, interviews with logical officials of the VA
in this area, with LAPD officers on the Bunco and Homicide
Divisions, with officers in the LASO, with the manager of
Patriotic Hall where many service-connected organizations
meet, and with officers of the Second Division Association.

No additional general leads have yet been developed.
Report will be submitted by 8/12/55.

Mr. Rosen

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Approved:

Special Agent in Charge

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Mr. Tolson	_____
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Mr. Nichols	_____
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Mr. Mohr	_____
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Mr. Tamm	_____
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Mr. Holloman	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

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Transmit the following ~~Teletype~~ message to:

FBI, LOS ANGELES

8/12/55

7:00

DIRECTOR, FBI (9-28353)

UNSUB; JOHN FOSTER DULLES, VIKEX
OO: LOS ANGELES

Remyairtel dated 8/5/55.

No positive information has yet been developed which might lead to identify a suspect in this matter. Efforts are continuing to find some clue through the fictitious address "1148 Venice Avenue, Los Angeles".

UACB report will be delayed to 8/19/55.

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AIR MAIL

MR. ROSEN

CC: MR. ROSEN
AND SUPERVISOR _____
INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

Approved: _____

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AUGUST 23, 1955
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SAC, Los Angeles (9-1756)

UNSUB.; JOHN FOSTER DULLES, VIKEX.

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Questioned evidence not prepared by MYERS, K2.
Insufficient handwriting of [redacted] K3, available to
determine whether he prepared questioned specimens.
Variations noted.

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Evidence returned herewith. Not photographed.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (9-28353)

DATE: August 16, 1955

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (9-1756)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT; JOHN FOSTER DULLES
- Victim
EXTORTIONOO - LA
-----Attention: FBI LaboratoryRemylet July 15, 1955, and Bulet (Lab report under
Lab #D-208322 DG) July 25, 1955Enclosed herewith for handwriting comparison with
Q1 and Q2 as described in Butel July 11, 1955, are the
following items:

1. Letter postmarked Mount Braddock, Penna., July
14, 1955, from RAYMOND D. MYERS, P. O. Box 31, Mount Braddock,
to [redacted]
This letter beginning, "Hello [redacted] and
ending "Your old friend and X Bro. in Law, RAY D. 'PAT' MYERS."

For the possible assistance of the Laboratory in
the examination of this document, MYERS was either married
to or simply lived with [redacted]

[redacted], for about three weeks ending on
or about June 25, 1955, the date questioned extortion letter
was postmarked at Los Angeles. MYERS is said to be about 45
years old and he is not a veteran of any service organization,
although he may have served in a national guard outfit in
Pennsylvania a number of years ago. He is by occupation a
laborer and has worked at North American Aviation Company here.
He is regarded by some as quite intelligent but as an abject
alcoholic. He has a son reportedly in the United States Navy,
and a sister served in the WACS during World War 2. MYERS has
split with [redacted] and, as his letter indicates, has re-
turned to his home town.

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August 16, 1955

Observation of his letter, although it is in pencil while the questioned document was in ink, indicates that there are numerous letters and phrases which may make possible a sufficient examination for the Laboratory to come to a conclusion. No other handwriting samples of his are readily available, although probably additional specimens can, if required, be obtained from North American Aviation Company and possibly from [redacted] who has been described as an alcoholic and a "pathological liar."

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2. Known handwriting of one [redacted]
formerly an employee of the [redacted]
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The Laboratory is requested to sutel results of examination.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **LOS ANGELES**

REPORT MADE AT LOS ANGELES	DATE WHEN MADE 8/19/55	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 7/11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18/55	REPORT MADE BY FRANK H. TOWNSEND
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT; JOHN FOSTER DULINE - VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

By letter postmarked at Los Angeles, 6/25/55, unknown subject directed obscene comments to victim, U. S. Secretary of State. Incorporated into his remarks, unknown subject wrote "Therefore I'm going to kill you IF another incident occurs where we appear to be in the wrong" and "...so, remember another incident and you may as well give up living because I promise to kill you. This is not a crackpot threat nor a rash action but a matter of self preservation." AUSA [redacted] on 7/11/55 authorized prosecution for violation of the Extortion Statute if unknown subject can be identified and will consider adding a count under Section 1461, Title 18, United States Code, regarding the letter as a "filthy or indecent writing". FBI Laboratory comparing known handwriting of RAYMOND D. MYERS, logical suspect, with handwriting on threatening letter.

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DETAILS:

On July 8, 1955, the Bureau provided Los Angeles with a true copy of a communication which was contained in an envelope bearing Los Angeles, California postmark, dated June 25, 1955. The envelope was addressed to victim, United States Secretary of State, in script in what appears to be ink. The upper left-hand corner of the envelope contains a return address "1118 Venice Avenue, Los Angeles, California".

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES
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- 2 - Los Angeles (9-1756)

IL 2-1786

The enclosed letter, bearing "IL 2-1786", is also written in script on what appears to be a piece of paper. It is extremely obscene. Deleting the obscenities, the letter reads as follows:

"Mr. JOHN FOSTER DULLES,

"I have avoided the title of honorable and such because, you, you dirty (obscene), is one of the worlds' biggest two face (obscene) there exist. If you are trying to get us in another war you better be the Infantry Man in rifle Co. commonly called cannon fodder. I was lucky and come home with minor wounds but what of the men who were with me?? No, you weren't there and if any of your friends were there they were stationed at Corp. Headquarters but never, never, "on the line".

What am I driving at? Well tell me just what the (obscene) are we flying 40 miles from Russian soil?? The last time it was 50 miles. Why not just fly over an bomb that country and start a lulu and send our whole (obscene) nation in a war. Of course men who want a "(obscene)" (married) will be out this time; so, I won't be the cannon fodder this time, but what we should do is to stick sons and grandsons of men like you in the Army Infantry Rifle Companys and as privates and you and your buddies will straighten up. And to add a kicker your daughters and granddaughters should be placed in the legal (obscene) as privates too (WAG).

If you think I'm joking I'm not because I don't want my friends, my neighbors in any god damn war you guys start and I don't want to leave my wife so some other (obscene) could (obscene) her while I'm in the army again. Has your wife (obscene) anyone else while you were alive???

In order to stop any further acts of aggression on our part I'm going to stop. I will give you one more chance to stop this war. If you don't stop this war, I'm going to start a lulu and send your sons and grandsons to the front line. I don't want to see any of your sons or grandsons killed or maimed but to die or be maimed is a lot better than living a living.

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Therefore, if you will please, another incident occurs where we are in the rain.

What would we do if a Russian airplane flew 700 miles from our borders? That's right we would shoot (obscene) down; so, remember another incident and you may as well give up living because I promise to kill you. This is not a crackpot threat nor a rash action but a matter of self preservation.

Reasoning

I'll only get the chair or gas chamber if I'm caught after you are dead and live forever in history.

If I let you continue your line of propaganda I'll not only lose my life but my family with recourse; so, this time I glad that you will be on the (obscene phrase) of the stick.

Think the life you save will be your own"

On July 11, 1955, facts of this matter were presented to Assistant United States Attorney [redacted] by SA FRANK H. TOWNSEND. [redacted] said he will, if unknown subject can be identified, authorize prosecution for violation of the Extortion Statute. He said that if the matter goes as far as indictment, he will include a count in the indictment under Section 1461, Title 18, United States Code (obscene mail matter), considering the unknown subject's letter to be a "filthy or indecent writing" within the meaning of the statute.

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On July 11, 1955, SAs LOGAN LANE, JR. and TOWNSEND ascertained there is no such address in Los Angeles as 1148 Venice Avenue nor 1148 Venice Boulevard. It was determined that at 1140 Venice Boulevard, the Harness Manufacturing Company, an establish and fabricating electrical components, some of which are used in various government projects, occupies premises extending from 1140 to 1150 Venice Boulevard.

J. A. HARRIS, President, ADOLPH FRANK, Vice President, and [redacted] Harness Manufacturing Company, were unable to provide the identities of any logical suspects from among the approximately 100 employees of the firm. At the time of this interview, the plant had just shut down and all personnel with the exception of the officers were on vacation.

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[redacted] 1150 Venice Boulevard, Los Angeles, advised the above agents that he could provide the names of no logical suspects among the visitors to his shop. Mr. CHENKOFF is National Representative for the Jewish War Veterans and as such does have visitors, other than print shop customers, at his place of business. [redacted] advised that he spends a great deal of his time in connection with work among veterans, and he made a seemingly diligent effort to provide the names of any suspects, particularly from among the young veterans he knows.

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Review of the threatening letter indicated that the writer represented himself to be a veteran of probably the Korean action where he ostensibly served as an Infantry Private in the Second Division. It would appear from his missile that he was wounded and that he has married since leaving the Army.

[redacted] Patriotic Hall, 1816 South Figueroa Street, Los Angeles, advised on July 12, 1955 that in this building most Service connected organizations in Los Angeles conduct their meetings. [redacted] said that there is an organization known as the Second Division Association which he said has not been very active in recent years. He furnished the name of the President of the Second Division Association but based on the available information which might tend to identify the unknown subject in this matter, [redacted] could provide no suspects.

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H. E. MC GEE was contacted by SA TOWNSEND on July 13, 1955 at the Arden Farms Dairy, 1900 West Slauson Avenue, Los Angeles, where he is Administrative Assistant to the President.

Mr. MC GEE stated that he is the ex-President of the Second Division Association, Los Angeles Chapter. He said the organization has been quite inactive for the past five years because the young veterans from World War II and the Korean action do not appear interested in such an organization. He suggested the name of L. LEE HENDERSON, Veterans Administration (VA) Building, the war member of the Second Division in World War I. Mr. MC GEE could not provide the names of any suspects.

L. LEE HENDERSON, Clerk, Section, VA Building, 3000 Boulevard, when contacted on July 14, 1955 by SA TOWNSEND, was unable to provide any suspects from available information.

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[redacted] Contact Section, VA Building, advised on July 14, 1955 that letters such as this passing through the VA are referred to the Inspection and Investigation Division, VA, Munitions Building, Washington, D. C. He could recall no letter which might be pertinent to this matter and could furnish the names of no suspects.

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[redacted] VA, and Colonel [redacted] [redacted] VA, advised SA TOWNSEND on July 14, 1955 that the only veteran in this area who has in recent years come to their attention through threatening and abusive letters, often containing obscenity, is one EDWIN S. PASEK, whose C number was furnished as 4450237. These men advised that the PASEK letters had been turned over to the FBI for investigation about two years ago.

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Others contacted at the VA on July 14, 1955 by SA TOWNSEND are [redacted]

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[redacted]. These men advised that they come in contact with most veterans whose claims are disputed by the VA. Among the numerous disgruntled veterans with whom they have been in contact is EDWIN PASEK, who threatened [redacted] predecessor on one occasion by letter.

From Los Angeles files, the original of an obscene letter bearing the known handwriting of EDWIN S. PASEK was obtained and forwarded to the FBI Laboratory for handwriting comparison with the questioned letter pertinent to this case.

On July 25, 1955, the FBI Laboratory advised it had been concluded that EDWIN S. PASEK had not prepared the letter and envelope addressed to JOHN FOSTER DULLES. The FBI Laboratory on July 11, 1955 and on July 12, 1955 had previously provided information that the questioned documents had been searched through the appropriate sections of the Laboratory's Anonymous Letter File without effecting an identification. No latent fingerprint impressions of any value for identification purposes had been developed on the letter and envelope addressed to Mr. Dulles in this matter. Photographs of the questioned documents were forwarded to Los Angeles by the Laboratory on July 25, 1955.

On July 15, 1955, Sergeant WILLIAM H. HUNT, Los Angeles Police Department, Bureau - Fugitive Division, advised SA TOWNSEND that he could furnish no logical suspects in this matter.

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On July 18, 1955, Captain [redacted] [redacted] Homicide Division, Los Angeles Police Department, advised [redacted] furnish no logical suspects in this matter although they did provide the name of SALE PALMER as that of a mentally unbalanced man currently being handled by their department because of telephone threats against the life of Los Angeles Mayor NORMAN THOMSON. They said PALMER is not known to be a letter writer and in his contacts they believe he has invariably used his true name. They said he is a man of some 50 years and a non-veteran.

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Captain [redacted] advised that threats of death coming within the jurisdiction of the Police Department are handled by his division.

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Chief of Detectives [redacted] Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office, on July 19, 1955, advised SA TOWNSEND that he could provide no logical suspects.

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On August 16, 1955, [redacted] with SA TOWNSEND went through the applications for employment on file with his firm. He located an application on [redacted] a former employee who was disgruntled. He provided available handwriting of [redacted] and this was forwarded to the FBI Laboratory on August 16, 1955.

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[redacted] Wilder Furniture Company, 1500 West Washington Boulevard, Los Angeles, whose firm has the master lease on the property extending from 1108 through 1156 Venice Boulevard, Los Angeles, on August 16, 1955, could provide SA TOWNSEND with no logical suspects.

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[redacted] on August 16, 1955 could provide no logical suspects. He said he has only three current employees, none of whom is a veteran or has shown any unusual quirks.

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[redacted] (political division of Los Angeles City having its own postal service) on August 16, 1955 advised that the building containing the address 1113 Venice Boulevard, Venice, is owned by [redacted] who lives at 1221 Stewart Avenue, Venice, and is employed at the Douglas Aircraft Company, Santa Monica Plant. [redacted] said he is employed at the City Hall at Venice and that he has lived at the address 1113 Venice Boulevard, Venice, for more than three years.

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He said the occupants of 1148 Venice Boulevard, Venice, California, having moved in less than three weeks ago. [redacted] said the place was vacant for a time prior to these occupants and that for about four weeks it had been occupied by a disreputable couple who drank heavily and were a disturbing factor in the neighborhood. He was unable to provide the name of that couple but said he believed the family at [redacted] could furnish further information.

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[redacted] Telephone [redacted] stated that [redacted] who lived with RAYMOND D. MYERS at 1148 Venice Boulevard, Venice, for less than two months until about the first of July, 1955. He said [redacted] split with MYERS and that he is sure she has no communication with MYERS now and no interest in him. He furnished [redacted] present address as [redacted] and stated that she has just been released from a hospital. He referred to her as a "pathological liar". He said he doubts that she is yet capable of having visitors. [redacted] produced a letter from RAYMOND D. MYERS postmarked July 14, 1955, Mount Braddock, Pennsylvania and containing the return address of Post Office Box 31, Mount Braddock. [redacted] said MYERS is an alcoholic. He said MYERS is not a veteran although he did once speak of having served in a National Guard outfit during peace time years ago somewhere in Pennsylvania, from where he came. He said he met MYERS in about 1948 when both were employed at North American Aviation Company, Inglewood, California. He said [redacted] is still employed at North American Aviation, Inglewood, probably in Department 32 as a line man. [redacted] was not sure whether or not MYERS and [redacted] were ever actually married although they did live together for a number of years at various addresses, the last being 1148 Venice Boulevard, Venice, California. He said MYERS has more and more become alcoholic, spending his time with "bar flies" and of late living off the earnings of [redacted]

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He said MYERS is ordinarily wild mannered although when intoxicated he sometimes loses his temper and becomes noisy and obnoxious when he cannot keep his temper. He said MYERS is a very intelligent man and that if he were not for his alcoholism he would be capable of holding a responsible position.

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[redacted] provided MYERS' letter of July 14, 1955, permitting it to be used for investigative purposes. The letter is very personal relating in part that on June 28, 1955, MYERS had arrived by bus from Los Angeles to Mount Braddock, Pennsylvania, which appears to be his home town. He related that he has obtained employment at his old job in a brick yard no more than 200 yards from his home, and he commented in his letter that he has had no whisky since arriving home. Contents of his letter indicate that he is a father and grandfather and the indications are that he lost his wife because of marital difficulties.

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The purpose of the letter appears to be his request that [redacted] return to him some spectacles. MYERS wrote that he had written letters to certain other people but none to [redacted] because he did not have her address. In closing, he wrote "Your old friend and X Bro.-in-Law, RAY D. IPAT, MYERS".

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[redacted] stated that MYERS has a son currently believed to be in the United States Navy and that [redacted] served in the WACs during World War II.

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Observation of RAYMOND D. MYERS' letter, although it is written in pencil while the questioned document was written in ink, indicates that there are numerous letters and phrases which may make possible a sufficient examination for handwriting comparison purposes. This document was forwarded to the FBI Laboratory on August 16, 1955 for suitable examination.

Records of the Los Angeles Police Department, as searched on August 17, 1955 by SA TOWNSEND, failed to reveal any identifiable record on MYERS or on [redacted].

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The following physical description of suspect RAYMOND D. MYERS was obtained from [redacted]:

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Age	45
Height	6'2"
Weight	155 pounds
Build	Thin
Hair	Black and gray;
	probably cut in flat top.
Eyes	Dark
Complexion	Fair
Personal habits	Alcoholic
Occupation	Laborer
Faculiarities	Wears thin mustache.

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Address

Room 322133 P M 31,
Mount Graham, Pennsylvania

Relatives



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No adequate description of victim JOHN FOSTER DILLIE is
available at Los Angeles.

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PITTSBURGH OFFICE:

AT MOUNT BRADDOCK, PENNSYLVANIA

Will confidentially ascertain if RAYMOND D. MYERS is currently residing there and using Post Office Box 31.

WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE:

AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

1. Will obtain and set out physical description of victim JOHN FOSTER DULLES, United States Secretary of State.
2. Will, at the Inspection and Investigation Division, Veterans Administration, Munitions Building, Washington, D. C., ascertain whether or not any logical suspects can be developed through letters which might be on file as received from the Los Angeles area.

LOS ANGELES OFFICE:

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

1. Will report results of Laboratory examination regarding handwriting of RAYMOND D. MYERS and of
2. Will continue efforts to identify the sender of the threatening letter to JOHN FOSTER DULLES.
3. Will, in the event RAYMOND D. MYERS or any other individual is identified as the sender of this document, follow and report prosecutive action.

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REFERENCES

Bureau airtel to Los Angeles, carbon copy to Washington Field, dated 7/9/55.
Los Angeles airtel to Bureau, dated 7/10/55.

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Transmit the following Teletype message to:

FBI LOS ANGELES 8-24-55 8:30 PM
DIRECTOR, FBI (9-28353)
UNSUB; JOHN FOSTER DULLES, WIREA

Rerep SA FRANK H. TOWNSEND 8-19-55, LA

FBI Lab advises RAYMOND D. MYERS did not write the questioned documents in this matter and, although handwriting of [redacted] insufficient to determine whether or not he wrote the questioned documents, variations were noted.

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Since MYERS did not prepare the questioned specimens, and since only he and [redacted] occupied the premises at 1148 Venice Blvd, Venice, Calif., which is the best available link to identify the unsub, PG should at Mt. Braddock, Pa., interview MYERS. PG should obtain the identities of all MYERS' friends in the LA area, handwriting of any, including [redacted] and his brother, and any other data which might lead to identifying the unsub.

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It should be borne in mind that MYERS is an alcoholic and reputedly has many friends of dubious character and habits. He may even have direct knowledge on this matter.

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Mr. Nease_____
Miss Gandy_____

Transmit the following Teletype message to:

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FBI PITTSBURGH 8-26-55 3 PM EDST

DIRECTOR, FBI (9-28353)

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
JOHN FOSTER DULLES - Victim
EXTORTION

Report of SA FRANK H. TOWNSEND, Los Angeles, 8-19-55.

On August 25, 1955, [redacted] Acting Postmaster, Mount Braddock, Fayette County, Pa., advised that RAYMOND D. MYERS is currently residing at the home of his mother, Mrs. ARAMINTA MYERS, and utilizing her mail box, which is number thirty one. [redacted] stated that MYERS is unemployed. No further action is being taken in the Pittsburgh Division unless same requested by Los Angeles. RUC.

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Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **LOS ANGELES**

REPORT MADE AT WASHINGTON, D. C.	DATE WHEN MADE 9/6/55	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 8/25, 26, 29/55	REPORT MADE BY ROSSER L. NALLS dmm
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT; JOHN FOSTER DULLES - VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[redacted] Investigation Service, Central Office, Veterans Administration, Washington, D. C., furnished names of veterans [redacted] **EDWIN STANLEY PASEK**, C# 4450237, and [redacted], as possible suspects. No letters from [redacted] being held by VA in Washington, D. C., but his VA file being held at VA Regional Office, Los Angeles may contain letters. **EDWIN STANLEY PASEK's** handwriting has previously been examined by FBI Laboratory with negative report. [redacted] as of 8/1/53, residing in Oakland, California. Photostat of specimen of type of letter received from [redacted] obtained and being forwarded to Los Angeles division.

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DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

[redacted] Chief, Administrative Division, Investigation Service, Central Office, Veterans Administration, Washington, D. C., was interviewed by SA ROSSER L. NALLS on the dates of August 25 and 26, 1955. After checking the records of her division, [redacted] advised that the following three veterans might be considered as suspects in this case:

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10-11-12</div>
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1. [redacted]
Residence - (1952) - [redacted]
[redacted] advised that her office is not holding any letters written by [redacted] but that specimens of same doubtlessly can be located in his Claims Folder, [redacted] which file is presently located in the VA Regional Office, Los Angeles, California.

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2. EDWIN STANLEY PASEK, C# 4450237.
Residence - (1953) - 5901 Venice Boulevard, Los Angeles, California.
[redacted] advised that a number of obscene letters had been received from this veteran and turned over by the VA to the Post Office Inspectors. She further advised that this veteran's Claim Folder, File #C 4450237, is presently located in the VA Regional Office at Los Angeles, California, and that no doubt this veteran's file contains additional obscene letters.

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With regard to veteran EDWIN STANLEY PASEK, it will be noted that this suspect is mentioned in the referenced report of SA FRANK H. TOWNSEND, Los Angeles, dated August 19, 1955, and that the FBI Laboratory has already submitted a negative report following handwriting specimens of PASEK submitted by the Los Angeles division.

3. [redacted]
[redacted] turned over to ROSSER L. NALLS, on August 29, 1955, a Photostat of an obscene letter, dated August 1, 1953, addressed to Mr. H. L. LONGPRE, Director, Payee Accounts Service, Central Office, Veterans Administration, Washington, D. C., which letter apparently was received from [redacted] General Delivery, North Capitol Street Post Office, Washington, D. C. [redacted] advised that the original of this letter is no longer in possession of the VA but that it was turned over by the VA to the Post Office Inspectors for investigation because of its obscene character, but the VA files fail to reflect what, if any, action was taken by them with regard to the letter.

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It will be noted that the mentioned letter is well written and legible while the VA file of [redacted] judging from his signatures which appear on various VA forms submitted by him, would tend to indicate that [redacted] is a very poor penman and probably did not himself write the letter but perhaps had someone else write the letter for him as well as sign the same in his name. The Veterans Administration file of [redacted] contains material written by [redacted] wife of [redacted] and from all appearances the mentioned letter could very well have been written by [redacted]

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The VA file of [] further reflects that [] has a [] and at the present time is being represented by [] Broadway Building, 1419 Broadway, Oakland, California, in an effort to obtain a California State [] The latest address on record for [] with the VA, as of August 1, 1955, is [] His file also reflects []

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ENCLOSURE:

TO LOS ANGELES DIVISION:

One photostat of letter, dated August 1, 1953, from [] addressed to Mr. H. L. LONGPRE, Director, Payee Accounts Service, Central Office, Veterans Administration, Washington, D. C.

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Interview with JOHN FOSTER DULLES, United States Secretary of State, for the mere purpose of obtaining data as to his physical description was considered to be inadvisable and the Washington Field Office will disregard the lead in this connection set forth in referenced report of SA FRANK H. TOWNSEND, Los Angeles, dated August 19, 1955, unless contrary instructions are received from the Bureau.

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LOS ANGELES OFFICE:

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA:

Will review the Veterans Administration File of []
[] at the VA Regional Office to determine
if the same may contain any material which may point to []
as being a logical suspect.

1. Will also examine the Photostat of the letter dated August 1, 1953, from [] addressed to Mr. H. L. LONGPRE, Director, Payee Accounts Service, VA, Washington, D. C., which letter is being forwarded as an enclosure.
2. If, after examining this letter and making a preliminary comparison with the note sent to the victim, JOHN FOSTER DULLES, it is thought that perhaps [] may be a logical suspect, appropriate leads should be set forth by the Los Angeles division to have [] and his wife, [] interviewed at [] and, in which event, specimens of the handwritings of both [] and his wife should be obtained for submission to the FBI Laboratory.

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Transmit the following Teletype message to:

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FBI, PITTSBURGH (9-1145) 9-9-55

DIRECTOR, FBI (9-28353)

UNSUB; JOHN FOSTER DULLES, VIKEX.

Re Los Angeles airtel to Bureau and Pittsburgh, 8/24/55.

On September 8, last, RAYMOND D. MYERS, Mount Braddock, Pa., advised SA [redacted] that he has no knowledge concerning captioned matter; that he departed from Los Angeles, California, by enroute, Mount Braddock, Pa., at 8:45 am on June 25, last; that prior to that time, he resided with his brother for about one month at Lawndale, California; and that he parted company with his [redacted] about 5/1/55, after [redacted] years of living with her and has no information concerning her present whereabouts. MYERS stated that [redacted] might be located through [redacted]

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[redacted] and that he is sure that she would not write a letter as she disliked writing letters to her close friends. MYERS stated that the only visitors he ever had at his former residence on Venice Blvd., were Mrs. DAMA SCULLY, 1609 Ashland Ave., Santa Monica, California, a former telephone supervisor, and DORIS KEMPER, 668 B Flower Ave., Venice, California, who is presently employed as a supervisor for the General Telephone Company. MYERS stated that he has very few friends visit him at his former residence and the only other visitor he can recall is [redacted]

[redacted] He stated that [redacted] was 4-F and never in military service. MYERS advised that he drinks a lot, but does most of his drinking at his home. He said that he visited the "BRIG", a beer joint owned by [redacted] on Washington Blvd., Los Angeles, California, frequently, but he never heard anyone discuss politics or the victim at this establishment. MYERS, who appeared to be cooperative, advised that he could offer no helpful information at the present time, but he intended to return to Los Angeles, next month, and if he should hear anything of value he would contact the LA Office without delay. - RUC -

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3 cc Bureau 1 cc Los Angeles (9-1756)

Approved: [redacted]

Special Agent in Charge

Sent [redacted] M Per [redacted]

REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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To: SAC, Los Angeles

September 23, 1955

Re: UNSUB;
JOHN FOSTER DULLES -
VIKEX

John Edgar Hoover, Director

 YOUR FILE NO. 9-1756
 FBI FILE NO. 9-28353
 LAB. NO. D-211723 DG

Examination requested by: Los Angeles

Reference: Letter 9/13/55

Examination requested: Document

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Specimen:

- K4 Five sheets of paper bearing known handwriting and hand printing of [redacted]
- Kc5 Seven Photostats of documents taken from the records of North American Aviation, Inc. bearing purported known handwriting of [redacted]
- K6 Envelope and a business card bearing the known handwriting of [redacted]

RESULT OF EXAMINATION:

It was concluded that specimens Q1 and Q2 were not prepared by [redacted] whose known handwriting and hand printing have been designated as specimen K4. Because of the limited amount of comparable handwriting available, it could not definitely be determined whether or not [redacted] Kc5, prepared specimens Q1 and Q2. However, nothing of particular significance was noted in the limited comparable handwriting available.

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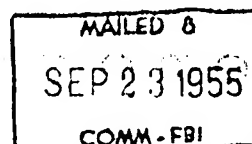
There is insufficient known handwriting of [redacted] available to form any opinion as to whether or not he prepared any of the questioned material.

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Specimens K4 through K6 are returned herewith. No photographs have been made.

ENCLOSURES (3) - REGISTERED MAIL

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (9-20351)
ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

DATE: 9/13/55

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (9-1728)

SUBJECT: MURKIN; JOHN WILLIAM WILLIS
MURKIN

ReBairtel 8/26/55.

Enclosed herewith are handwriting samples from three individuals for comparison with the handwriting on questioned documents in this case. These known specimens are as follows:

1. Five pages bearing the known handwriting and handprinting of [redacted] an employee of [redacted] RAYMOND D. MYERS, who has been eliminated by the Laboratory as a suspect. [redacted]

[redacted] MYERS is not a veteran. These samples were obtained through cooperation of WILLIS WILSON (ex-FBI SA), Assistant Director of Security at North American. These samples, if not identical, need not be returned.

2. Seven photostated copies of pages purporting to bear the handwriting and handprinting of [redacted] provided from the records [redacted] Personnel Dept. The writing which is said to not to be hers has been crossed out. If this writing proves not identical, the documents need not be returned.

3. Two documents, one an envelope addressed to Speed-O-Key, Los Angeles, and the other a business card. These bear the known signature and 1953 address of [redacted] in his handwriting. The name of [redacted] was furnished by [redacted] owners of the four-family dwelling building addresses including [redacted] [redacted] is the only past or present resident of [redacted] who has exhibited questionable character to the [redacted] other inquiries [redacted] and a claimed veteran bearing wound scars. He has been described as a belligerent, "know-it-all" type. He was in the Los Angeles area for over a month in [redacted] recently returning to Milwaukee, Wisconsin in November, 1955. His present

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whereabouts is not known to persons contacted but he is believed to have a family interest in the Richard To L and Supply Co., 5120 N. Center St., Milwaukee.

If additional specimens are required, this office will attempt to procure them. Those enclosed need not be returned.

REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: SAC, Los Angeles

October 10, 1955

Re: UNSUB.;
JOHN FOSTER DULLES -
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 A handwritten signature of John Edgar Hoover, written in dark ink.

John Edgar Hoover, Director

YOUR FILE NO. 9-1756
FBI FILE NO. 9-28353
LAB. NO. D-212851 DG

Examination requested by: Los Angeles
Reference: Letter 9/28/55
Examination requested: Document
Specimen:

Kc7 Photostat of an envelope and nine-page letter bearing the
purported known handwriting of

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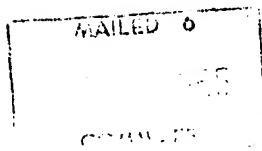
Results of examination:

It was concluded that the questioned material and specimen Kc7
were not prepared by the same individual.

Specimen Kc7 is returned herewith. No photographs have been
made.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (9-28353)

DATE: September 28, 1955

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (9-1756)

SUBJECT: UNSUB; JOHN FOSTER DULLES
VIKEX

ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

Remylet 9/13/55.

Enclosed herewith are handwriting samples in the form of an obscene letter from one [redacted] last known address General Delivery, North Capitol Street Post Office, Washington, D.C. to Mr. H.L. LONGPRE, Director, Payee Accounts Service, Central Office, Veterans Administration, Washington, D.C.

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The enclosure is actually a photostatic copy of the above letter and it was obtained according to report of SA ROSSER L. NALLS dated 9/6/55 at Washington, D.C., from [redacted] Administrative Division, Investigation Service, Central Office, Veterans Administration, Washington, D.C., on 8/29/55.

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The above report reflects that the original of this letter is no longer in possession of the Veterans Administration, having been turned over to the Post Office Inspectors for investigation because of its obscene character. The Veterans Administration files fail to reflect whether any action was taken by them with regard to the letter.

Further, it was noted in Washington that the enclosed letter is well written and legible, while known specimens of [redacted] judging from his signatures on various Veterans Administration forms, is himself a very poor penman. The suggestion was made in the above report that the letter may have been written by [redacted]

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The latest address of record for [redacted] as of 8/1/55, is [redacted] His file reflects [redacted]

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The Laboratory is requested to compare the handwriting on the enclosure with the questioned documents in this case. The enclosure need not be returned to this office nor to the Washington Field Office.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **LOS ANGELES**

REPORT MADE AT LOS ANGELES	DATE WHEN MADE 10/12/55	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 8/25, 26; 9/6-9, 26; 10/4/55	REPORT MADE BY FRANK H. TOWNSEND
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT; JOHN FOSTER DULLES -- VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

The FBI Laboratory has eliminated **RAYMOND D. MYERS**, former tenant at 1148 Venice Boulevard, Venice, California, and [redacted] as suspects. Handwriting comparisons by FBI Laboratory of questioned documents, with limited samples from other individuals, has developed nothing significant. Investigation of other possible subjects continuing.

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DETAILS:

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E.H.H. note
Report submitted Jan 25,*

On August 23, 1955, the FBI Laboratory advised that **RAYMOND D. MYERS** did not prepare the questioned evidence in this case. **MYERS**, until June, 1955, was for more than a month a tenant at 1148 Venice Boulevard, Venice, California. At the same time, the FBI Laboratory advised that available handwriting samples of [redacted] were insufficient to determine whether or not he prepared the questioned evidence, although variations in the handwriting were noted. [redacted] has been previously described as a former disgruntled employee of the [redacted]. His present whereabouts are unknown, and efforts to locate him on October 4, 1955 through

APPROVED AND FORWARDED <i>[Signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE <i>[Signature]</i>	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10-11-12-13-14-15-16-17-18-19-20-21-22-23-24-25-26-27-28-29-30-31-32-33-34-35-36-37-38-39-40-41-42-43-44-45-46-47-48-49-50-51-52-53-54-55-56-57-58-59-60-61-62-63-64-65-66-67-68-69-70-71-72-73-74-75-76-77-78-79-80-81-82-83-84-85-86-87-88-89-90-91-92-93-94-95-96-97-98-99-100</div>
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[redacted]
[redacted] were negative. [redacted]
said that she has lost contact with him entirely, and [redacted] said she never knew him well enough during the time he was employed by Los Angeles County as an elevator operator, to qualify as a personal reference for him, such as he showed her to be in an employment application of October, 1954.

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The FBI Laboratory, on September 23, 1955, advised that the questioned evidence in this case was not prepared by [redacted] samples of whose handwriting and handprinting had been provided on September 7, 1955 to SA TOWNSEND by WILLIS WILSON, Assistant Director of Security, North American Aviation Company, Inglewood, California.

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Handwriting and handprinting samples of [redacted]
[redacted] were compared by the FBI Laboratory with the questioned documents, but due to the limited amount of comparable handwriting available, the Laboratory could not definitely determine whether or not she had prepared the questioned specimens. The Laboratory advised, however, that nothing of particular significance was noted in the limited comparable handwriting available. The specimens of [redacted] handwriting and handprinting were provided by [redacted] Personnel Department, North American Aviation Company on September 8, 1955, to SA TOWNSEND.

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[redacted]
on August 25, 1955, was interviewed by SA's LOGAN J. LANE and FRANK H. TOWNSEND. [redacted] was entirely cooperative and responsive. Because she had recently undergone an operation, she was somewhat indisposed, and no handwriting specimens were obtained. She advised that [redacted] years ago, and that until May, 1955, [redacted] with [redacted] as his [redacted]. She said that their last address together was at [redacted] and that they parted company over domestic difficulties, [redacted] soon afterward going back to his family home in Pennsylvania. She said she feels that she is completely through with that man, and although she is quite bitter toward him, she nevertheless indicated that she does not believe him capable of writing a threatening letter.

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[redacted] provided considerable information on [redacted] and she provided information that [redacted] was enlisted in the WAC during World War II. She said that [redacted] received a dishonorable discharge from the WAC [redacted] is married to [redacted], that they live together in [redacted] and that [redacted] is unemployed, although she believes he formerly worked for [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that she personally is employed as a [redacted] She said the phone there is [redacted]. She readily discussed her own family, stating that her [redacted]

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[redacted] She said he is a veteran of World War II, that he is a very normal husband and father, and a good provider for his family. She said that [redacted] receives a small pension because of shrapnel wounds received during his war service. She said his brothers were in military service, and that the three brothers all live in [redacted] She said [redacted] has never expressed any bitterness or viciousness.

[redacted] furnished the name of [redacted] as a close friend of RAY MYERS, and one who has visited in the apartment at 1148 Venice Boulevard. She said he is about [redacted] years old, and is married, although having domestic difficulties. She said he is a veteran, and is employed in a ceramic tile factory by [redacted]

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[redacted] provided the names of former hangouts of RAY MYERS as Johnnie's Bar on Lincoln Boulevard, Venice, The Brig on Washington Boulevard, and Hoot's Hollow on Lincoln Boulevard, Venice.

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[redacted] on September 7, 1955, advised SA TOWNSEND that [redacted] is employed at this companies office and warehouse, [redacted] telephone [redacted] She further said that [redacted] was out of the city on vacation until toward the end of September.

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[redacted] on September 3, 1955, was interviewed by SA's LANE and TOWNSEND. These persons appeared to be entirely cooperative. They advised that they are both employed at [redacted] in [redacted] and that they are buying their home. When questioned regarding friends and former associates of RAY MYERS, they advised that they are unacquainted with his friends, inasmuch as they only saw RAY MYERS when he needed their help, and on those occasions, he appeared at their home alone. In view of the fact that [redacted] was definitely eliminated as a suspect in this matter, and because the FBI Laboratory found nothing of particular significance in the limited comparable handwriting of [redacted] which is available, and since their only contact with the address 1148 Venice Boulevard, Venice, California, was extremely limited, and only through [redacted] RAYMOND, who has also been eliminated as a suspect, there appears no logical reason to continue them as suspects.

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[redacted] current resident at [redacted] on September 8, 1955, was interviewed by SA's LANE and TOWNSEND. He advised that he is employed at [redacted] and that he moved to this address on July 30, 1955, from a home he had in Santa Monica. He said he has not learned to know the neighbors in the four-family dwelling house, and when he and his wife occupied the premises, they found no personal papers left here.

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[redacted] was interviewed by SA's LANE and TOWNSEND on September 8, 1955. [redacted] said she is a sort of caretaker of this property, together with her husband. She said that they have lived in the building longer than any of the tenants. She said the other addresses in the building are [redacted] which is occupied by a woman who is separated from her husband. She said that this couple have a son who is about 16 years old, and that early in June, 1955, the son, together with his father, left this area. She said the residents of 1148 Venice Boulevard are an older couple, and that the husband is employed in the City Hall at Venice. She said the tenants are all respectable and quiet persons, and that the only persons of any other character who have been here during her tenure, were RAYMOND [redacted] MYERS, who lived for a short time at 1148 Venice Boulevard. She named the owners of the building as [redacted]

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[redacted] on September 9, 1955, advised SA TOWNSEND that aside from RAYMOND MYERS, who has already been eliminated as a suspect in this matter, the only tenant who has lived in their building on Venice Boulevard with whom they had any difficulty, or who showed any unusual tendencies was one [redacted], who occupied the apartment at [redacted] together with his wife, in the spring of 1953. The [redacted] said that [redacted] wife left for their home in Wisconsin ahead of [redacted] who ostensibly left this place to go back to Milwaukee, Wisconsin in 1953. They said [redacted] broke his lease on the premises, and then altered the locks on the doors so that he could not be evicted. They said he also let them know that he had no intention of permitting anyone in the apartment, saying that he had guns, and that he did not intend to be evicted. They said that when he first moved in, [redacted] worked as a [redacted] and that later he went to work at a [redacted]. They could provide no handwriting for him.

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[redacted] said that others who lived in the building prior to the present tenants are personal friends of theirs, with the exception of one older couple about 70 years of age. They said their personal friends were of high caliber and stay in contact with them. They could not imagine such persons as capable of writing any threatening letters.

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[redacted] on September 9, 1955, advised SA TOWNSEND that [redacted] a "know-it-all" young man about [redacted] years, and a Korean War Veteran, who claimed to be drawing an \$80.00 a month pension, worked in this shop from March to December, 1953. He said [redacted] bore scars on his face, which he claimed were the results of service connected wounds. [redacted] said that [redacted] joined the [redacted] in 1953. He said [redacted] was an overbearing individual, and that he bragged that he and his brother owned a large auto parts company in [redacted] having inherited the firm from his father.

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[redacted] Veterans Administration Chief Contact Man, Regional Office, Sepulveda Boulevard, on September 9, 1955, advised SA TOWNSEND that the Veterans Administration here has no record on [redacted]

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On that same date, Inspector [redacted] Patrol Bureau, Los Angeles Police Department, provided SA TOWNSEND with the application of [redacted] for membership in the Los Angeles Police Department, Police Reserve Corps, which was made on January 12, 1953. The police records show that [redacted] was accepted, and remained in the corps until he resigned on October 16, 1953, at which time the statement was made by his supervising sergeant "moved to Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Don't recommend his reinstatement as he tried to become involved with a reserve officer's wife."

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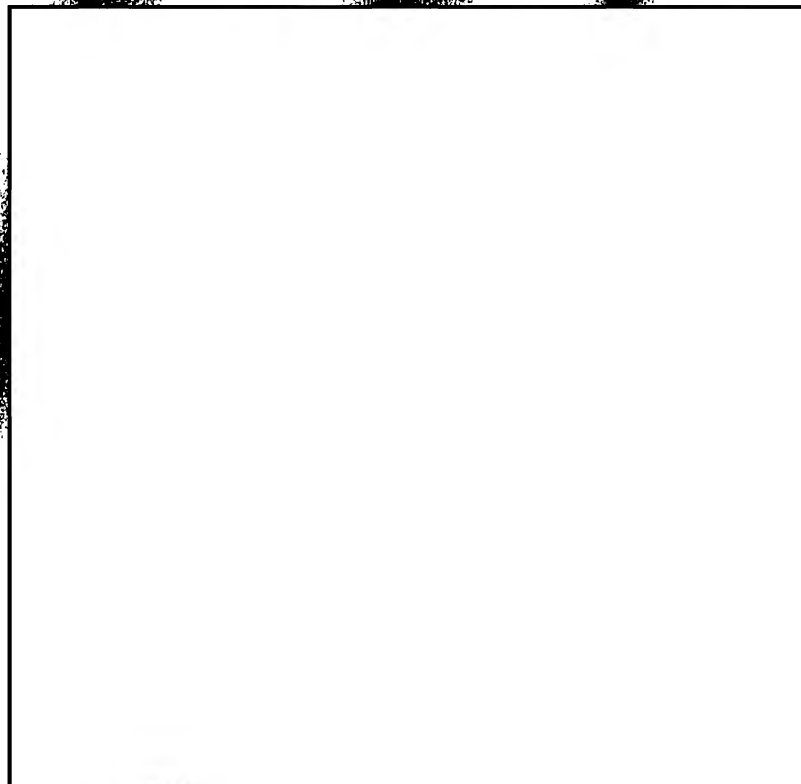
This police record shows that [redacted] claimed military service of one year in the United States Army Air Force as a sergeant, and two years in the United States Navy in the Naval Air Corps as a Seaman First Class. Dates of service are not indicated. At the time of his joining the corps, he was employed by [redacted] as a salesman in their [redacted]

[redacted] He furnished five local references, all but one having been known to him for only four months. The exception was [redacted] For hobbies and skills, he indicated he is a gun and sword collector, that he is a licensed airplane pilot, that he practices at photography, and that he is a locksmith. He indicated that he is a graduate of Washington High School, Milwaukee, and that he has had two years additional training as a locksmith.

A description of [redacted] as obtained from the Los Angeles Police Department records, where no criminal record was found, follows:

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A business card and an envelope bearing the known handwriting of [redacted] were provided by [redacted]. The FBI Laboratory, on September 23, 1955, advised that these documents did not contain sufficient known handwriting to form any opinion as to whether or not he prepared the questioned material.

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[redacted] telephone [redacted] contacted under pretext on October 4, 1955 by SA TOWNSEND, advised that to the best of her knowledge, [redacted] returned to his home in [redacted] toward the end of 1953, and has not been in California since. She added that she believes that if he had been in California during 1955, she and her husband would have heard from him.

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RAYMOND D. MYERS, Mount Braddock, Pennsylvania, was interviewed on September 8, 1955 by SA [redacted] according to information from Pittsburgh on September 9, 1955.

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Among other things, MYERS was questioned regarding his associates and friends who have visited in the apartment at 1148 Venice Boulevard, Venice, California. Aside from [redacted] he named only two persons, namely, [redacted] and DORIS KEMPER, 668B Fowler Avenue, Venice, California.

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[redacted] Assistant Attorney, General Telephone Company, Santa Monica, California, on September 21, 1955, was contacted by SA [redacted] regarding [redacted] and DORIS KEMPER, mentioned by RAYMOND D. MYERS as present or past employees of the [redacted].

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On September 26, 1955, [redacted] General Telephone Company, provided SA TOWNSEND with the information that DORIS E. KEMPER is the PBX supervisor, who has been with General Telephone Company since 1946. She is 41 years old, and has an excellent employment record. She separated from her husband in 1946, and his whereabouts since then have been unknown to her, according to her personnel file. A close review of her records reflects that her handprinting and handwriting are of an unusual style, entirely dissimilar in general appearance to the handwriting on the questioned documents.

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could not be identified in the General Telephone Company Personnel Files.

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[redacted] appears in the records of the [redacted] as a former employee who started working June 3, 1947, and terminated in August, 1949. She was not in the end considered a good employee, and her termination was the result of the company learning that she had given a false reason for being absent from work.

[redacted] Los Angeles Post Office, Postal Information Clerk, on October 4, 1955, reviewed all late subdivision maps and other such data available to the Los Angeles Post Office, then advising SA TOWNSEND that there appears to be no Venice Avenue within Los Angeles, or within the metropolitan area, comprising most of the populated areas in Los Angeles County.

[redacted] Chief, Contact Section, Regional Veterans Administration Office, Sepulveda Boulevard, Los Angeles, on September 20, 1955, produced for review by SA TOWNSEND, the Veterans Administration file on JOHN A. MILLSAP, whose name had been suggested by Veterans Administration officials in Washington, D.C., as a potential suspect, inasmuch as he has written many letters, no specimens of which were available in Washington.

MILLSAP's file was reviewed at the Veterans Administration Office, and he was found to be a veteran of World War I, born in 1896. The file indicates that he is affected with dementia praecox-paranoid. In 1932, MILLSAP was put on partial pension by the Veterans Administration. The pension was later voided, and still later was in part put back into effect. He has been out of contact for the past two or more years. There are numerous letters of his in Veterans Administration files under C number 1952635. It was noted that his writing is in a most peculiar style. They are all printed, and the peculiarities extend not only into the formation of the letters, but into the manner of expression. There appears no reason to believe this man should be considered a suspect in this case, in view of his Veterans Administration record.

ENCLOSURES: TO MILWAUKEE

Two copies of the original letter addressed to the victim.

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For the benefit of the Milwaukee Office, which has received no prior communications in this matter, by letter postmarked at Los Angeles on June 25, 1955, an unknown subject directed obscene comments to the victim, who is the United States Secretary of State. Incorporated into his remarks, the unknown subject wrote "therefore I'm going to kill you IF another incident occurs where we appear to be in the wrong", and "—so, remember, another incident and you may as well give up living because I promise to kill you. This is not a crackpot threat nor a rash action, but a matter of self preservation."

On July 11, 1955, prosecution was authorized by Assistant United States Attorney [] for violation of the Extortion Statute, providing the unknown subject can be identified. [] said he will consider adding a count under Section 1461, Title 18, United States Code, regarding the letter as a "filthy or indecent writing".

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The FBI Laboratory has been provided with handwriting and handprinting from various persons, particularly persons who have had some contact with the address 1148 Venice Boulevard, Venice, California, which is the nearest that office has been able to find to the address given on the extortion letter for return, "1148 Venice Avenue, Los Angeles, California."

The name of [] came up during the course of searching for logical suspects in the vicinity of 1148 Venice Boulevard, Venice, as related in the details above. Although [] has apparently been living away from California since late in 1953, if the picture of his character, as noted by persons and records here, is accurate, it is not inconceivable that he might have sent questioned document to someone in Los Angeles for remailing. The meager samples of handwriting so far available here have not been sufficient for the FBI Laboratory to render any opinion regarding [] who on November 23, 1953, in a letter postmarked at Milwaukee, wrote to the Speed-O-Key Company, using an envelope of the []

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MILWAUKEE OFFICE:

At Milwaukee, Wisconsin

1. Will interview [redacted] in care of the [redacted] and will attempt to obtain handwriting specimens on white onionskin paper measuring approximately 8.5 by 10.9 inches, such as were used by the unknown subject. The enclosed copies under obscene cover of the questioned documents should be of assistance in dictating appropriate text for handwriting samples from [redacted]

2. Will, when it has served its purpose, return under obscene cover, the above enclosures.

LOS ANGELES OFFICE:

At Fresno, California

Will, through credit records, telephone directories, unemployment records, and/or records of [redacted] locate [redacted] whose [redacted] is the [redacted] who lived at 1148 Venice Boulevard, Venice. It should be noted that [redacted] reportedly was a WAC member during World War II, and according to [redacted] received [redacted]

The possible significance of this can be noted in the questioned document, which has previously been set out with obscenities deleted. Efforts should also be made to obtain handwriting samples from [redacted] for elimination purposes. Onionskin paper, approximately 8.5 by 10.9 inches in size should be used, and the previously quoted letter should be used in dictating appropriate phrases for comparison purposes.

At Santa Monica, California

1. Will interview Mrs. DAMA SCULLY, 1609 Ashland Avenue, described by RAYMOND D. MYERS, as a friend who has visited at 1148 Venice Boulevard, and if appropriate, will attempt to obtain handwriting specimens.

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2. At Hoot's Hollow, 2945 Lincoln Boulevard, attempt to identify any close friends of RAYMOND D. MYERS, and if appropriate, obtain handwriting samples of theirs.

At Redondo Beach, California

Will interview [redacted] in care of [redacted]
[redacted] telephone [redacted]

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At Venice, California

1. Will reinterview [redacted] and obtain, if possible, handwriting samples.

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2. Will, at the Brig, 1515 Washington Boulevard, attempt to develop the identities of any close friends of RAYMOND D. MYERS, and if appropriate, obtain handwriting samples.

3. Will, at Johnnies Bar, 625 Lincoln Boulevard, attempt to identify any close friends of MYERS, and if appropriate, obtain handwriting samples.

At Los Angeles, California

1. Will continue efforts to locate [redacted] last known address, [redacted] (October, 1954) for the purpose of obtaining additional handwriting specimens. In the event [redacted] who is apparently something of a floater, cannot be located, efforts should continue to obtain sufficient samples of his handwriting so that the laboratory can come to a definite conclusion regarding him.

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2. Through security or personnel officials of [redacted] [redacted] will attempt to obtain additional handwriting of [redacted] who in 1953, was a [redacted]
[redacted].

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REFERENCES: Report of SA FRANK H. TOWNSEND, dated August 19, 1955 at Los Angeles.
Report of SA ROSSER L. NALLS, dated September 6, 1955 at Washington, D.C.

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REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: SAC, Milwaukee

November 14, 1955

EX-126

Re: UNSUB;
JOHN FOSTER DULLES - VICTIM
EXTORTION

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

YOUR FILE NO. 9-520
FBI FILE NO. 9-28353
LAB. NO. D-214958 DG

Examination requested by: **Milwaukee**Reference: **Letter 11/1/55**Examination requested: **Document**

Specimen:

K8 One sheet of ruled paper bearing the known handwriting specimens of
RONALD MAWES.

RESULT OF EXAMINATION:

It was concluded that specimens Q1 and Q2 in instant case were not
prepared by whose known handwriting has been designated as
specimen K8.

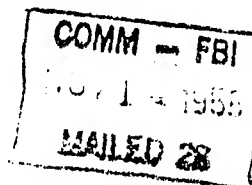
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Specimen K8 is returned herewith. No photographs have been made.

ENCLOSURE (1) - REGISTERED MAIL

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SWM:BAR (5)



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Mr. Boardman _____
Mr. Belmont _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Mr. Harbo _____
Mr. Mohr _____
Mr. Winterrowd _____
Tele. Room _____
Mr. Holloman _____
Miss Gandy _____

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TO : Director, FBI (9-27353) ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY DATE: 12-1-55
FROM : SAC, Milwaukee (9-520)
SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT:
JOHN JOSTEN DILLER - VICTIM
EXTORTION
OO: Los Angeles

Rerep of SA FRANK W. TOWNSEND dated 10-12-55 at
Los Angeles.

There is submitted as an enclosure one page containing
a handwriting specimen of [redacted] It is to be noted that
the specimen is not in the language of the extortion note.

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[redacted] and for this reason a word
for word sample of the extortion note was not obtained at this
time.

In the event the submitted sample is not sufficient
for elimination purposes, additional specimens will be obtained.

For information of the Los Angeles Office, copies of
the obscene document will be retained until the Laboratory sub-
mits the results of its examination in regard to [redacted]
has been residing in [redacted] for the past two years and
presently [redacted]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **LOS ANGELES**

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TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT; JOHN FOSTER DULLES - VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

The FBI Laboratory reported that the handwriting of was not identical with that of questioned documents.

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DETAILS: AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

On November 1, 1955, the handwriting specimen of which he had furnished on October 24, 1955, was submitted to the FBI Laboratory for comparison with the questioned evidence in this case.

By letter dated November 14, 1955, the FBI Laboratory reported that the questioned evidence was not prepared by

ENCLOSURES: - Los Angeles - Two copies of the original letter addressed to the victim

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REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: SAC, Los Angeles

December 14, 1955

Re:

UNSUB;
JOHN FOSTER DOWIES - VICTIM
EXTORTION

A handwritten signature of John Edgar Hoover, written in dark ink.

John Edgar Hoover, Director

YOUR FILE NO.
FBI FILE NO.
LAB. NO.9-1756
9-28353
D-217159 DG

Examination requested by: Los Angeles

Reference: Letter 12/6/55

Examination requested: Document

Specimen:

K9 Three sheets of paper bearing the known handwriting of

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Result of examination:

It was concluded that specimens Q1 and Q2 were not prepared by [redacted] whose known handwriting has been designated as specimen K9.

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Specimen K9 is returned herewith. No photographs have been made.

Enclosure (1) - R. H. T. D. MAIL

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (9-28353)

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (9-1756)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
JOHN FOSTER DULLES - VICTIM
EXTORTION

DATE: 12/6/55

ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

Rebulet to Milwaukee dated 11/14/55, carbon copy to Los Angeles.

Enclosed herewith are three pages bearing known handwriting samples of [redacted] at [redacted] for comparison with the questioned documents in this case. The enclosure need not be returned to this office, but may be destroyed at the discretion of the laboratory if it is found not identical.

As a possible aid to the laboratory, [redacted] has been selected as a suspect because he left Los Angeles to visit his mother in Chicago in about [redacted]. He went from Chicago to visit his estranged wife and his children in Wisconsin, and was arrested in that state upon complaint of his wife, who feared him. [redacted] ended up in [redacted] where he was interviewed and eliminated as a suspect in connection with a Bureau kidnaping case. Wisconsin authorities returned him to California for psychiatric confinement and after a hearing in Los Angeles, he was committed to [redacted] where he is now receiving treatment.

When [redacted] was picked up in Wisconsin, he had in his possession what the sheriff described as "a screwball telegram" from him, [redacted] to Vice-President RICHARD NIXON, dated June 25, 1955, (the pertinent date in the DULLES case) with his return address shown as [redacted]. [redacted] worked on Venice Boulevard at one time (the pertinent address in the DULLES case is the return address on the envelope, 1148 Venice Avenue, which is non-existent). Also when interviewed at [redacted] by SA's WALTER N. ATTEBERY and [redacted] on December 1, 1955, [redacted] said his memory is a little hazy, but that he had worked on Venice Boulevard and had lived at [redacted]. He denied any

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recollection of writing a letter to the Secretary of State, but admitted sending telegrams to Senator McCARTHY and to President EISENHOWER, the first being a critical telegram of some sort and the second a request that the President resign. His actions were attributed by [] to his mental harrassment for which he holds the United States Government responsible.

[] was cooperative and lucid and the SA's noted that his speech was devoid of profanity, unlike the obscene letter in instant case.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **LOS ANGELES**

REPORT MADE AT LOS ANGELES	DATE WHEN MADE 1/20/56	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11/1,8,15;12/1,6,30/55;1/16,17/56	REPORT MADE BY FRANK H. TOWNSEND rlw
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT; JOHN FOSTER DULLES - VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[redacted] now of [redacted] and [redacted] now confined to [redacted] eliminated as suspects by FBI Laboratory. Handwriting exemplars of [redacted] and [redacted] forwarded to FBI Laboratory. Nothing significant developed in continuing efforts to identify Unknown Subject.

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DETAILS:

The name of [redacted] as possible suspect in this matter was interjected by [redacted] the four-family dwelling bearing addresses including 1118 Venice Boulevard, Venice, California. (It is to be noted that the return address on the pertinent letter in this matter bore the non-existent return address 1118 Venice Avenue, Los Angeles, California.)

[redacted] is the only past or present resident in the building which includes the address 1118 Venice Boulevard, Venice, California other than **RAYMOND D. MYERS**, previously eliminated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation Laboratory, who has exhibited questionable characteristics to the [redacted]

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- USA, Los Angeles
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Known handwriting specimens of [] were compared by the Federal Bureau of Investigation Laboratory with the questioned documents and it was concluded that he had not prepared the threatening letter.

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The name of [] Veterans Administration C Number [] was offered as a suspect in this matter by [] Chief, Administrative Division, Investigation Service, Central Office, Veterans Administration, Washington, D. C., who was interviewed by SA ROSSER L. NALLS on August 25, 1955 and August 26, 1955. An obscene letter dated August 1, 1953 had been received by an executive in the Veterans Administration at Washington, D. C., ostensibly from []. However, handwriting in his Veterans Administration file of both his and [] indicated that from all appearances, the letter to the Veterans Administration official could well have been written by [].

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The Federal Bureau of Investigation Laboratory has eliminated [] also known as [] as a suspect in instant matter.

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The name of [] came up as suspect in connection with another matter referred to the Los Angeles Office for investigative attention. In connection with that investigation, it was determined that [] has in the past entered into correspondence with highly placed Government officials, that he has in the past worked in a manufacturing establishment on Venice Boulevard, Los Angeles, and that he was living in Los Angeles until []. In connection with the other matter, [] was interviewed at the [] and the Milwaukee Office was requested on November 8, 1955 to reinterview him in connection with instant matter, particularly because when first interviewed in Wisconsin, [] had in his possession a copy of an oddly worded telegram which he admitted sending to Vice-President RICHARD NIXON. The telegram is dated June 25, 1955, which is the date of instant letter, and bearing [] return address of [].

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[] on November 15, 1955 advised that one of the tenants she inherited when she purchased this large rooming house was [] whom she said lived alone. To the best of her recollection, he left Los Angeles in [] for the stated intention of visiting his mother in Chicago, Illinois. He said he would soon be back and he left some

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of his clothing. She recalled [] as a strange man who seemed to read all night and was particularly an avid reader of newspapers. She said he liked to talk as though he was an expert on Government and foreign affairs. She said [] drank large quantities of beer, worked only half-days, and was very sensitive about Government taxation policies. She said he was obviously afflicted mentally and was in need of cure. She gave several examples to illustrate this point.

[] whose information regarding [] was in some measure substantiated by [] a television shop at 3970 West 6th Street, Los Angeles, on November 8, 1955 advised that she had received a letter from [] mother in Chicago who wrote that [] had been in a hospital in Wisconsin but had been transferred back to Los Angeles to the General Hospital. [] said she visited [] He pleaded with her to help him in preventing commitment, but she said he was nevertheless committed to [] where she has since corresponded with him.

On December 1, 1955, SAs [] and WALTER N. ATTEBERY reviewed records of the [] which, among other things, showed that [] paranoid type".

The Special Agents interviewed [] concerning his activities in [] He said his memory of the past was a little hazy and that he was undergoing electro shock treatments. He said in 1951 he worked for the [] but had never lived or worked at any other address on Venice and he insisted that 1148 Venice Avenue or Boulevard was foreign to him. He stated that he had in 1951 or 1952 sent telegrams to Senator JOSEPH MC CARTHY and to President EISENHOWER. The communication to Mr. MC CARTHY was critical and the communication to the President was a request that he resign. [] said the Secret Service agents talked to him about these.

[] said he also recalls sending a message to Vice-President RICHARD NIXON, but he could not recall the text of any of these messages. He did deny having ever sent threatening letters and especially he has never sent any to JOHN FOSTER DULLES. He indicated that he held the

United States Government responsible for his mental harrassment.

[] furnished two and one-half pages of handwriting in the text of the threatening letter and these were provided to the Federal Bureau of Investigation Laboratory. Comparison of [] known handwriting with the questioned documents by the Laboratory resulted in the conclusion that he had not prepared the questioned document.

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[] who as originally reported has lived at [] was located and interviewed by SA MELVIN R. WRIGHT on two occasions, first at [] and again on December 30, 1955 at [] according to information previously developed and reported through acquaintances in Los Angeles, was a member of the Women's Auxiliary Corps, United States Army, during World War II. [] had advised that []

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Upon interview, [] stated that she has not been in Los Angeles since 1948, when she returned to California from a visit at her home town, []. She said she has lived in [] since about 1946, when she married [] whose home town is []. [] stated that [] and [] but that she has not seen or corresponded with them in a number of years. She said that she has never resided at 1148 Venice Boulevard or any such address and she did not know that [] had lived at such an address.

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[] appeared cooperative and she denied writing any letters containing any threats to any public officials. [] readily furnished samples of her handwriting which were forwarded to the Federal Bureau of Investigation Laboratory on January 10, 1956 for comparison with the questioned documents.

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on January 16, 1956 was interviewed at his place of employment, the [redacted] by SAs LOGAN J. LANE and FRANK H. TOWNSEND. [redacted] was completely cooperative and furnished pages of handwriting in the text of the message contained in questioned letter. He said he and RAYMOND D. MYERS were closely acquainted for a period of some months, and that during this acquaintanceship, due to marital difficulties, he stayed at MYERS' apartment on a few occasions and actually stored clothing there in MYERS' residence, 1148 Venice Boulevard.

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[redacted] said he is a veteran of World War II, where he served in the Infantry, but he indicated that he is proud of his war service and is pleased to have had the experience. He denied having ever written a bitter or threatening communication and especially, he denied having written to victim in this matter.

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During the interview [redacted] was polite and mild-mannered. Handwriting exemplars obtained were forwarded to the Federal Bureau of Investigation Laboratory on January 17, 1956 for comparison with the questioned documents.

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[redacted] Johnnie's Bar, 625 South Lincoln Boulevard, Venice, California, on January 16, 1956 advised SAs LOGAN J. LANE and FRANK H. TOWNSEND that he does recall RAYMOND D. MYERS, whom he knew only as "PAT" MYERS. He said he has not seen MYERS for six months or more, but prior to that time, MYERS dropped in this bar for a few beers probably five nights every week.

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Regarding friends of MYERS who might have been met at this place, [redacted] stated that one [redacted] whose address was found in the telephone directory as [redacted] California, telephone [redacted] ran around with MYERS quite a bit. He recalls that on one occasion [redacted] and MYERS were thrown out of MYERS' apartment on Venice Boulevard by MYERS' wife while they were on a drinking bout. [redacted] described [redacted] [redacted] now employed as a [redacted] [redacted] He said [redacted] helps out in a bar called the [redacted] and that he is a veteran from the United States Navy where he worked as a deep sea diver during World War II. He said [redacted] wanted to work overseas for a Government contractor, but was turned down on a security check.

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[redacted] added that [redacted] has never been in any trouble at this bar, has never expressed himself politically, particularly never showing any high spirit or fervor about anything. He said [redacted] does not talk of his war experiences. [redacted] described [redacted] as [redacted] years of age, [redacted] in height, [redacted] pounds, [redacted] eyes, bald head, [redacted] complexion, unmarried.

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On January 17, 1956 [redacted] "The Brig", 1515 Washington Boulevard, Santa Monica, California, advised that he has known "PAT" MYERS as a customer who always came in alone and drank beer. He has not seen MYERS for some months and he does not recall that MYERS had any close friends in this barroom.

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[redacted] Hoot's Hollow, 2945 Lincoln Boulevard, Santa Monica, said he knows "PAT" MYERS and [redacted] who is a friend of MYERS. He said [redacted] however, has moved to the State of Washington with his wife and [redacted] Mrs. DANA SCHULY. He said none of these people, the [redacted] or [redacted], has ever impressed him as being outspoken or interested in anything beyond a good time.

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An effort was made to reach Mrs. DANA SCHULY at 1609 Ashland Avenue, Santa Monica, but new tenants were at this address and her whereabouts are not known to them.

It is noted that Mrs. DANA SCHULY was married by [redacted] RAYMOND D. MYERS, as a friend of hers not while both worked as telephone operators. Since [redacted] and both described Mrs. SCHULY, her daughter and her son-in-law as well-mannered people, no closer to 11118 Venice Boulevard than their present acquaintanceship with MYERS, it is not believed that further efforts to locate them are logical in pursuit of this investigation.

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[redacted] advised on January 17, 1956 that she and her husband [redacted] moved to a new address some months ago. She [redacted] him as a veteran of World War II and [redacted] military service. She said [redacted] she [redacted] confident that her [redacted]

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abusive document, or for that matter, even speaking abusively of others. She indicated that her husband is not a crusader in any sense.

[redacted] also commented about Mrs. DAMA SCULLY and Mr. [redacted] and [redacted] whom she said she has met on several occasions through [redacted]. She added that she does not have much in common with these people, but that so far as she was able to observe they are "nice people". [redacted] could furnish no information of value to this investigation.

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LOS ANGELES OFFICE:

AT SANTA MONICA, CALIFORNIA:

Will interview [redacted] telephone [redacted] and will attempt to obtain from him handwriting specimens for comparison with the questioned documents. He is employed at [redacted] and he works part-time in the [redacted] located in the vicinity of 29th and Pico, West Los Angeles.

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AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA:

Will report results of FBI Laboratory comparisons of handwriting specimens from [redacted]

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REFERENCES

Report of SA FRANK H. TOWNSEND dated 10/12/55 at Los Angeles
FBI Laboratory letters to Los Angeles dated 10/10/55, 11/14/55, and
12/14/55

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REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: SAC, Los Angeles

January 25, 1956

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EX-122Re: UNSUB;
JOHN FOSTER DULLES
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John Edgar Hoover, Director

 YOUR FILE NO. 9-1756
 FBI FILE NO. 9-28353
 LAB. NO. D-219421 DG

 Examination requested by: Los Angeles
 Reference: Letter 1/10/56
 Examination requested: Document
 Specimen:

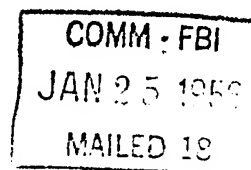
K10 Five pages bearing the known handwriting of

Results of examination:

It was concluded that specimens Q1 and Q2 were not prepared by [redacted] whose known handwriting has been designated as specimen K10.

Specimen K10 is returned herewith. No photographs have been made.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3753)

DATE: 1/16/56

FROM : SAU, LOS ANGELES (100-3753)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT; JOHN F. STEEL
DULLES - VICTIM
EXTORTION

ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

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ReBulet dated 12/14/55.

Enclosed herewith are five pages bearing
handwriting samples of [redacted] who is [redacted]

which the Laboratory is requested to compare with the
questioned documents in this case. It will not be
necessary for the Laboratory to return the specimens
in the event no identification is effected.

[redacted] RAYMOND D. MYERS
who moved from 1148 Venice Boulevard, Venice, Cali-
fornia, on or just prior to the date threatening com-
munication was mailed to Secretary of State DULLES.
The questioned documents make unsavory reference to
the Women's Auxiliary Corps of the United States Army,
and it is noted that [redacted]

[redacted] was interviewed by SA MELVIN T.
WRIGHT, who obtained the enclosed handwriting samples.
She told SA MELVIN T. WRIGHT during the two interview
with her that she has not been in Los Angeles, Cali-
fornia since 1947, but previous to that, she had
lived for a while in a small unknown town in the city
of Santa Monica. She said she went to Los Angeles in 1947
and has lived in Los Angeles, her husband's home town,
ever since. She said she has, for several years, been
in contact with [redacted] and [redacted] both previously
mentioned as possible suspects

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[redacted] appeared cooperative and she denied writing any letters containing threats to any public officials. She related that her husband has not been in Los Angeles for several years. He was not available for interview.

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REPORT of the



**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.**

To: SAC, Los Angeles

January 30, 1956

Re: **UNSUB.,
JOHN FOSTER DULLES - VICTIM
EXTORTION**

John Edgar Hoover, Director

YOUR FILE NO.
FBI FILE NO.
LAB. NO.

9-1756
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Examination requested by: **Los Angeles**

Reference: **Letter 1/17/56**

Examination requested: *Document*

Specimen:

K11 Two sheets of paper bearing the known handwriting of

Result of Examination:

It was concluded that specimens Q1 and Q2 were not prepared by [REDACTED] whose known handwriting has been designated as specimen K11.

Specimen K11 is returned herewith. No photographs have been made.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (9-28353)

DATE: 1/17/56

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (9-1756)

ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
John Foster Dulles - VICTIM
EXTORTION

Rebulet, dated 12/14/55.

Enclosed herewith are two pages bearing the known handwriting samples of [redacted] for comparison with the questioned documents in this case. The material was dictated to [redacted] in much the form of the original documents.

Handwriting of [redacted] is submitted because of his past relationships with RAYMOND D. MYERS, who lived at 1148 Venice Boulevard, Venice, California, at the time pertinent to this letter. [redacted] was entirely cooperative. He readily admitted having visited at 1148 Venice Boulevard several times and to having drank with MYERS on many occasions for a period of some months until June, 1955. He denied having written any letter to [redacted] or any other Government official.

If the results of the Laboratory's examination reflect [redacted] did not write the questioned documents, the handwriting samples may be destroyed at the Laboratory.

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REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: SAC, Los Angeles

February 9, 1956

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Re: UNSUB.,
JOHN FOSTER DULLES - VICTIM
EXTORTION

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

YOUR FILE NO. 9-1756
FBI FILE NO. 9-28353
LAB. NO. D-220695 DG

Examination requested by: Los Angeles

Reference: Letter 1/27/56

Examination requested: Document

Specimen:

K12 A three-page handwritten letter dated 11/1/55, bearing the
known handwriting of [redacted].

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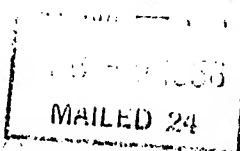
Results of examination:

It was concluded that specimens Q1 and Q2 were not
prepared by [redacted] whose known hand-
writing has been designated as specimen K12.

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Specimen K12 is returned herewith. No photographs
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : [REDACTED]

DATE: February 10, 1956

FROM : JFM (100-441754) [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] - Victim
[REDACTED]

Re letters 1/10/56 and 1/17/56.

Enclosed herewith are three pages bearing on both sides the [REDACTED] handwriting of [REDACTED] was. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] which the Laboratory is requested to compare with the questioned documents in this case. The enclosed must be returned to the contributor when it has served its purpose.

Information regarding [REDACTED] was originally received from [REDACTED] Chief Assistant U. S. Probation Officer, Los Angeles, who some months ago was requested to advise of any probationers or parolees who might have written the threatening letter in this instance.

In [REDACTED] file on [REDACTED] is noted that he was released in United States District Court, Los Angeles, on November 14, 1952, at which time he was sentenced to three years probation for violation of parole. He is described as tall, dark, [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED] in criminal records.

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An interesting angle on RITCHIE III is the fact that photostatic letter in "The Secret Service" magazine, he pretended to be a veteran of the World War II, in fact, with similar "service" record in "The Secret Service".

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

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REPORT MADE AT LOS ANGELES	DATE WHEN MADE 3/1/56	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/24, 25, 27; 2/3, 20, 27/56	REPORT MADE BY FRANK H. TOWNSEND
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT; JOHN FOSTER DULLES - VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

FBI Laboratory has eliminated as suspects [redacted]. Nothing of new significance has been developed in continuing efforts to identify the unknown subject.

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DETAILS:

The name of [redacted] was interjected into this matter as a possible suspect for reasons as previously reported. As a result, five pages bearing the known handwriting of [redacted] were forwarded to the FBI Laboratory on January 10, 1956. The Laboratory has subsequently advised that the questioned specimens were not prepared by [redacted].

The name of [redacted] came up in this matter because of his past relations with RAYMOND D. MYERS, who lived at 1148 Venice Boulevard, Venice, California at a time pertinent to this letter. [redacted] handwriting samples

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES
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were forwarded to the FBI Laboratory on January 17, 1956. The FBI Laboratory subsequently advised that it had been concluded the questioned documents were not prepared by [redacted]

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[redacted] the name of [redacted] was., [redacted]
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was brought up in connection with this matter by [redacted]
[redacted] United States Probation Officer, Los Angeles, who some months ago was requested to advise of any probationers or parolees who might have written the threatening letter in this instance.

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[redacted] found in his records that [redacted] appeared in United States District Court, Los Angeles, on November 14, 1955, at which time he was sentenced to three years probation on several counts of sending obscene, lewd, lascivious, and filthy mail matter. [redacted] provided on loan a letter in [redacted] known handwriting for comparison purposes.

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[redacted] Special Agents of the United States Secret Service, Los Angeles, provided background and a narrative of [redacted] offenses, which included the writing of obscene letters to such public officials as the Attorney General of the United States, and the President of the United States.

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On January 27, 1956, the exemplars of [redacted] handwriting were forwarded to the FBI Laboratory, which subsequently concluded that [redacted] did not prepare the questioned documents in this matter. On February 27, 1956, the document provided by [redacted] was returned to Chief Probation Officer [redacted].

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Los Angeles files reveal the name of Mrs. MARY LEVAN, aka MARY B. LEVAN, MARY B. JACOBS, 626 Venice Boulevard, Los Angeles, as the mother of a deserter from United States Military Service who was apprehended by Special Agents of this office. Mrs. LEVAN took unusual and extreme steps in her efforts to keep her son out of military service. Among other things she wrote numerous letters to officials in the Government, including the President, and she once hitchhiked to Washington, D.C., to try and influence the President into releasing her son from military service. She, according to Los Angeles files, was placed in a psychopathic ward after apprehension by Secret Service Special Agents in Washington, D.C., on October 5, 1953. She was released from custody on October 20, 1953. Other addresses she has had in Los Angeles include 1141 South Union Street, 1541 West 11th Place, 1031 South Beacon Street, Apartment 2, and 1606 West 12th Street. She has Los Angeles Sheriff's Department Number 316862, and in those records is described as follows:

Age	61 (in 1955)
Race	White
Sex	Female
Nationality	American
Birthplace	Texas
Height	5'3"
Weight	100 lbs.
Scars	$\frac{1}{8}$ " scar center of forehead

It is believed that samples of Mrs. LEVAN's handwriting are contained in files of the Presidential Research Section, Secret Service, Old Treasury Building, Washington, D.C.

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WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE:

At Washington, D.C.

1. Will inquire at the Presidential Research Section, Secret Service, Old Treasury Building, in an effort to obtain known handwriting specimens of Mrs. MARY LEVAN, aka MARY B. LEVAN, MARY B. JACOBS, and if any are found, will provide these to the FBI Laboratory for comparison with the questioned specimens in this matter.

2. Will also at the Presidential Research Section, Secret Service, attempt to develop any logical suspects in this case, using the typed copy of the questioned letter as set out in the report of SA FRANK H. TOWNSEND, dated August 19, 1955 at Los Angeles as a guide to assist in searching the modus operandi file there.

3. Will submit to the FBI Laboratory any logical specimens so located for comparison with the questioned documents in this matter.

LOS ANGELES OFFICE:

At Sawtelle, California

Will inquire through the Security Officer at the Neuro-Psychiatric Hospital in an effort to develop any logical suspects. It is to be noted that Secret Service Special Agents have learned that letters are frequently spirited out of this Veterans Administration facility by patients released on leave.

REFERENCES: Reports of SA FRANK H. TOWNSEND, dated August 19, 1955 and January 20, 1956 at Los Angeles.

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REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

March 29, 1956

To: SAC, Los Angeles

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Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
JOHN FOSTER DULLES - VICTIM
EXTORTION

YOUR FILE NO. 9-1756
FBI FILE NO. 9-20353
LAB. NO. D-224065 DC

Examination requested by: Los Angeles

Reference: Letter 3/12/56

Examination requested: Document

Specimen:

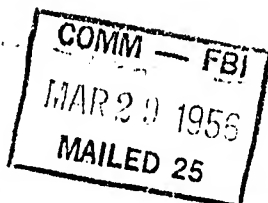
K13 Three sheets of ruled paper bearing the known handwriting
of [redacted].

RESULTS OF EXAMINATION:

It was concluded that specimens Q1 and Q2 were not prepared
by [redacted] whose known handwriting has been designated
as specimen K13.

Specimen K13 is returned herewith. No photographs have been
made.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DIRECTOR, FBI (9-28353)

DATE: March 12, 1956

FROM:

SAC, LOS ANGELES (9-1756)

ATTN: FBI
LABORATORYJOHN FOSTER DULLES - (9-28353)
EXTORTION

Re: Mylet, dated January 27, 1956.

Enclosed herewith are three pages bearing the known
signature of [redacted], presently employed under
Federal Civil Service as a [redacted] at the [redacted]
[redacted] operated by the Veterans Administration at St. Louis,
Missouri. The Laboratory is requested to compare these
samples with the questioned documents in this case. If the
results are negative, the enclosed samples have no further
use here and may be destroyed.

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By [redacted] of [redacted].

[redacted] Following the war, [redacted] a

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patient at the [redacted] period, during which he wrote several letters to [redacted] President
HARRY S. TRUMAN. These letters have been described [redacted]
[redacted] Protective Services, Veterans Administration
Center, Los Angeles 25, California, as being extremely [redacted]
[redacted] letters of that time (around 1948 to [redacted] best
[redacted] recollection) were anonymous, but were [redacted] to
[redacted] by the United States Secret Service. At the [redacted]
according to [redacted] was found to be incompetent and [redacted] not
prosecuted.

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SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

UNSUB.; JOHN FOSTER DULLES - VICTIM
EXTORTION

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For the information of the Washington Field Office, Pittsburgh by airtel dated 3/28/56 advised as follows:

On 3/16/56 U. S. Secret Service, Pittsburgh, arrested [redacted] FBI [redacted] on charge of sending threatening letter, postmarked 12/15/55, Los Angeles, to President of U. S. [redacted] is resident of [redacted] born [redacted] at [redacted] and served in [redacted] in [redacted]

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[redacted] examined by VA and diagnosis reflects [redacted] has [redacted]

SA [redacted] U. S. Secret Service, Pittsburgh, advised original letter sent by [redacted] to the President is on file in Protective Research Section, White House, Washington, D. C., and is Document [redacted] further that interview with [redacted] disclosed that latter could have been in Los Angeles in June, 1955, after running away from hospital in [redacted] in April, 1955. [redacted] at time of arrest at first denied writing letter to President, but subsequently admitted same and stated reason for doing same was that he disliked treatment while in U. S. Army and felt he had to kill President.

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In view of foregoing, [redacted] considered good suspect in captioned case. Suggested that Bureau obtain original of letter sent to President from U. S. Secret Service, White House, and have writing compared with that on letter submitted in captioned case. Upon receipt of results of said examination, this office will interview [redacted] presently incarcerated in lieu of \$5,000 bond on Secret Service charge.

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The Washington Field Office should contact the White House detail of the U. S. Secret Service and endeavor to obtain the original letter, if available, or a photographic copy and submit it to the FBI Laboratory for comparison.

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1-Los Angeles (9-1756)

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Date: 3-28-56

Transmit the following message via AIRTEL

(Priority or Method of Mailing)

From SAC, PITTSBURGH (9-1145)

To: DIRECTOR, FBI and SAC LOS ANGELES
(9-28353) (9-1756)SUBJ: JOHN FOSTER DULLES - VICTIM
EXTORTION
OO: LA

Rerep SA FRANK H. TOWNSEND, 8-19-55, at LA.

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(7) Approved: [redacted]

CO: Mr. Rosen

Sent [redacted]

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Per [redacted]

Mr. Rosen

Special Agent in Charge

INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

REPORT
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FBI

LABORATORY

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: SAC, Minneapolis

April 6, 1956

Re: UNSUB.;
JOHN FOSTER DULLES
VIKEX

J. Edgar Hoover
John Foster Dulles

YOUR FILE NO. 9-696
FBI FILE NO. 9-28353
LAB. NO. D-221967 DG

Examination requested by: Minneapolis

Reference: Letter 3/26/56

Examination requested: Document

Specimen:

K14 One seven-page letter dated 6/12/55, one-page letter dated 6/1/55, one-page letter dated 4/8/55, one-page letter dated 2/12/55, one-page letter dated 8/25/54 and a one-page letter addressed to the Veterans Administration all bearing the known handwriting of LEE WRIGHT ARNOLD.

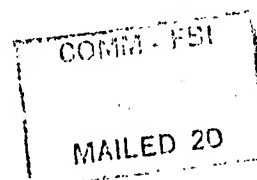
Result of examination:

It was concluded that specimens Q1 and Q2 were not prepared by LEE WRIGHT ARNOLD, whose known handwriting has been designated as specimen K14.

Specimen K14 is returned herewith. No photographs have been made.

Enclosure (1) - REGISTERED MAIL

1 - Los Angeles (9-1756)



Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 3/26/56

FROM : SAC, Minneapolis

Attn. FBI LABORATORYSUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
JOHN FOSTER DULLES - VICTIM
EXTORTION

Re Los Angeles let to Portland dated 3/12/56 and Portland airtel to Minneapolis dated 3/16/56.

On March 22, 1956, [redacted] Chief of Adjudication, Section 2, Claim Service, Veterans Administration, Fort Snelling, Minnesota, advised SA WILLIAM G. LAIS from his files that LEE WRIGHT ARNOLD committed suicide at Los Angeles, California, on February 12, 1956. He added ARNOLD was born October 19, 1914 at San Diego, California. [redacted] made ARNOLD's insurance file available for review.

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These records indicate ARNOLD had been a biologist employed by the U. S. Fish and Wild Life Service; his next of kin is [redacted]

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A diagnosis in his file indicates he was classed as a schizophrenic paranoid type who had unsystematized delusions of persecution. He believed he was being groomed for a high political office by the Republican Party. Comments in this file indicate he was a prolific letter writer and wrote to various government agencies, including various highly placed individuals in government. ARNOLD was discharged from Veterans Administration Hospital, Roseburg, Oregon, June 2, 1954. Discharge summary notes "he continues to write logically, precise, extreme paranoid letters to many government services and persons in authority."

This file indicates he was arrested at Washington, D. C., when he attempted to force his way in to see President EISENHOWER on April 9, 1953.

On June 21, 1954, the U. S. Secret Service placed a notice in ARNOLD's file that they were to be immediately notified in the event ARNOLD escaped or was discharged. Their file #JCO-2-12159.

The following samples of ARNOLD's handwriting were obtained from his Veteran's Administration Insurance file for comparison with the extortion notes written to Mr. DULLES in this matter.

Letter dated 6/12/55 to Dr. HOYER, signed LEE WRIGHT ARNOLD
Letter dated 6/1/55 to MOTHER STANDRING, signed LEE WRIGHT ARNOLD

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1 - Los Angeles (9-1756)

1 - Minneapolis (9-696)

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Letter to Director - Attn. FBI LABORATORY
Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
JOHN FOSTER FULLES - VICTIM
EXTORTION

3/26/56

Letter dated 4/8/55 to Dr. HASKINS, signed LEE W. ARNOLD
Letter dated 2/13/55 to Dr. HASKINS, signed LEE W. ARNOLD
Letter dated 8/25/54 to Dr. GLASSER, signed LEE W. ARNOLD
Letter addressed to VA Office, San Francisco, California,
signed LEE W. ARNOLD

The foregoing letters are to be returned to the Minneapolis
Division when they have served their purpose so they may be
returned to ARNOLD's VA Insurance File, #XC565447.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.**

To: SAC, Washington Field

April 24, 1956

Re: UNSUB.;
JOHN FOSTER DULLES
VIKEX

YOUR FILE NO. 9-978
FBI FILE NO. 9-28353
LAB. NO. D-225819 DG

Examination requested by: **Washington Field**

Reference: Letter 4/11/56

Examination requested: **Document**

Specimen:

15 An envelope; an airmail envelope addressed "To President Isenhower," and accompanying one-page handwritten letter; and an airmail envelope addressed "Mrs. Mamie Eisenhower,..." and accompanying nine-page handwritten letter all bearing the known handwriting of MRS. MARY LE VAN.

Results of examination:

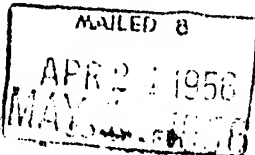
It was concluded that specimens Q1 and Q2 were not prepared by MRS. MARY LE VAN whose known handwriting has been designated as specimen K15.

Specimen K15 is returned herewith. No photographs have been made.

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1 - Los Angeles (9-1756)

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Attachment (5)

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 4/11/56

FROM : SAC, WFO (9-975)

ATTN: FBI LABORATORY

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
John Foster Dulles - VICTIM
EXTORTION

Reference is made to the report of SA FRANK H. TOWNSEND dated 3/1/56 at Los Angeles, requesting that inquiry be made to the Presidential Research Section of the Secret Service in an effort to obtain known handwriting specimens of Mrs. MARY LE VAN, was.

[redacted] of the Protective Research Section, Secret Service Division, Treasury Department, was interviewed on 3/29/56, at which time he made available handwriting specimens of Mrs. MARY LE VAN.

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It is requested that the FBI Laboratory compare the enclosed handwriting of Mrs. LE VAN with the questioned documents in this case.

There are being enclosed herewith handwriting specimens of Mrs. MARY LE VAN taken 9/30/53 by SA [redacted] of the Secret Service. Also enclosed is a letter written by Mrs. MARY LE VAN addressed to President EISENHOWER. It should be noted that this letter is addressed President EISENHOWER, Urgent, Personal. This letter is undated. Also being enclosed is a letter from Mrs. MARY LE VAN dated 9/27/55 to Mrs. MAMIE EISENHOWER, together with an envelope postmarked 9/29, 2:00 p.m., Los Angeles, California.

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[redacted] of the Secret Service desires that these handwriting specimens of Mrs. MARY LE VAN be returned to him and, accordingly, it is requested that after they have served their purpose they be returned to WFO for transmittal to [redacted] P

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- 2 - Los Angeles
- 1 - WFO

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REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

April 26, 1956

To: SAC, Washington Field

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Re: UNSUB;
JOHN FOSTER DULLES - VICTIM
EXTORTION

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "J. Edgar Hoover", is written over the typed name.

 YOUR FILE NO. 9-978
 FBI FILE NO. 9-28353
 LAB. NO. D-226478 BG

Examination requested by: Washington Field

Reference: Letter 4/19/56

Examination requested: Document

Specimen:

K16 Photograph of an envelope and accompanying letter dated 12/13/55, six envelopes and two sheets of paper all bearing known handwriting and/or hand printing of [redacted]

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Results of Examination:

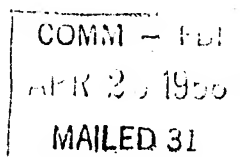
It was concluded that specimens Q1 and Q2 were not prepared by [redacted] whose known handwriting and hand printing have been designated as specimen K16.

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Specimen K16 is returned herewith. No photographs have been made.

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1 - Los Angeles (9-1756)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (9-28353)

DATE: 4/19/56

FROM : SAC, WFO (9-978)

ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

SUBJECT: UNSUB;
JOHN ROBERT BULLIS - VICTIM
EXTORTION

Reference is made to the airtel dated 3/30/56 from the Bureau requesting that the White House detail of the U. S. Secret Service be contacted and an attempt be made to obtain the original letter sent from [redacted] FBI # [redacted] to the President. Bureau airtel also stated that this letter was on file in the Protective Research Section of the Secret Service and was Document # [redacted].

[redacted] was contacted on 4/6/56 at which time he stated that the original threatening letter sent by [redacted] to the President had been forwarded by his office to the Los Angeles Office of the Secret Service. [redacted] stated that they had taken photographs of the letter sent by [redacted] as well as handwriting specimens and that he would make these available to the Bureau. [redacted] stated that these photographs were not at present on hand but he would locate same and advise the WFO.

On 4/9/56, [redacted] made available a photograph of a letter sent to the White House by [redacted] postmarked 12/15/55 at Los Angeles, California. [redacted] also made available handwriting specimens of [redacted] taken 3/16/56 at Pittsburgh which is an exact copy of the threatening letter forwarded to the President mentioned above.

[redacted] also made available three copies of handwriting of [redacted] which are on envelopes as well as three envelopes containing [redacted] specimens of [redacted]

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(1 - FBI LAB) (C. incl.) INCL.

1 - Los Angeles 9-1756

1 - Pittsburgh 9-1145

1 - WFO

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DIRECTOR, FBI 4/19/56

Re: MURKIN;
JOHN OSTROM - VICTIM
EXTORTION

Inasmuch as [] is considered a good suspect in this case, the laboratory is requested to compare the handwriting specimens and handprinting specimens attached hereto with the letter submitted in instant case.

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The laboratory is requested to return these handwriting specimens after they have served their purpose so that they may be returned to [] of the Protective Research Section of the Secret Service which is located in Room 98, Old State Department building. - P -

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date	Investigative Period	
MINNEAPOLIS	LOS ANGELES	5/1/56 3/22; 4/12/56
Report made by		Typed By:
SA WILLIAM G. LAIS		CMW
CHARACTER OF CASE		
UNKNOWN SUBJECT; JOHN FOSTER DULLES - VICTIM		EXTORTION

Known handwriting of LEE WRIGHT ARNOLD obtained from Veterans Administration, Fort Snelling, Minnesota, and forwarded to FBI Laboratory. Laboratory concluded that LEE WRIGHT ARNOLD did not prepare extortion notes.

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DETAILS:

On March 22, 1956, [redacted] of Adjudication, Section Two, Claim Service, Veterans Administration, Fort Snelling, Minnesota, advised from his files that LEE WRIGHT ARNOLD committed suicide at Los Angeles, California on February 12, 1956. He added a diagnosis in ARNOLD's file indicated he was classed as a schizophrenic paranoid type, who had unsystematized delusions of persecution. He stated ARNOLD believed he was being groomed for high political office by the Republican Party. He added ARNOLD was a prolific letter writer and wrote to various

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- Special Agent in Charge
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government agencies including military and individuals in government.

[redacted] made available six letters written by ARNOLD while he was a patient in the Veterans Administration Hospital. By letter dated March 26, 1956, these letters were sent to the FBI Laboratory for comparison with the notes written by subject.

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By letter dated April 6, 1956, the FBI Laboratory advised that extortion notes involved in this matter were not prepared by LEE WRIGHT ARNOLD.

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On April 12, 1956, the six letters provided by [redacted] from the Veterans Administration files were returned to him.

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REFERENCES

Los Angeles letter to Portland dated March 12, 1956.

Portland airtel to Minneapolis dated March 16, 1956.

Minneapolis letter to the Director dated March 20, 1956.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

LOS ANGELES

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REPORT MADE AT LOS ANGELES	DATE WHEN MADE 4/30/56	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3/1, 12, 23; 4/6, 27/56	REPORT MADE BY FRANK H. TOWNSEND	mak
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT; JOHN FOSTER DULLES - VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

From officials of the Brentwood Neuropsychiatric Hospital, a Veterans Administration facility at Los Angeles, two suspects were developed. Both have now been eliminated by the FBI Laboratory which has also now eliminated Mrs. MARY LEVAN, aka Mary B. Levan, Mary B. Jacobs, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department No. 316862. Handwriting specimens of [redacted] FBI [redacted] born [redacted] at [redacted] presently under consideration by FBI Laboratory.

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DETAILS:

At Los Angeles, California

[redacted] Registrar, Brentwood Neuropsychiatric Hospital, Veterans Administration Center, on March 1, 1956, when interviewed for possible suspects in this matter suggested to SA FRANK H. TOWNSEND the name of a former patient who he said died of his own hand February 12, 1956. He named this man as LEE W. ARNOLD, "Z" No. 5654447. [redacted] recalled that

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES
COPIES OF THIS REPORT (1) - Bureau (9-28353) 1 - USA, Los Angeles 2 - Washington Field Office (9-978) 2 - Los Angeles (9-1756)		28 MAY 4 1956 (9-978) RECORDED 13 INDEXED 13 EX - 120

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ARNOLD, while confined at Brentwood, wrote many letters of a somewhat vicious and threatening nature. He said that after ARNOLD's death, his personal papers were forwarded to the Veterans Administration at Portland, Oregon, such papers believed to include numerous handwriting samples.

On March 16, 1956, the Portland Office ascertained from [redacted] Regional Office, Veterans Administration, Portland, Oregon, that the Veterans Administration file on ARNOLD was transferred as a death case to the Regional Office of the Veterans Administration at Fort Snelling, St. Paul, Minnesota.

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On March 22, 1956, SA WILLIAM G. LAIS of the Minneapolis Office obtained pertinent data regarding ARNOLD and certain handwriting samples of his from [redacted] Chief of Adjudication Section 2, Claim Service, Veterans Administration, Fort Snelling, Minnesota.

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The file revealed that ARNOLD had been a biologist in the United States Fish and Wild Life Service, that he was classed as a schizophrenic paranoid with unsystematized delusions of persecution, and that he believed he was being groomed for a high political office by the Republican Party. He was shown as a prolific letter writer, discharge summary notes about him dated in June, 1954, stating "He continues to write logically, precise, extreme paranoid letters to many Government services and persons in authority."

The Federal Bureau of Investigation Laboratory on April 6, 1956, reported results of comparison of the known handwriting of ARNOLD with questioned documents in this matter, stating it was concluded that he had not prepared the threatening letter to Mr. DULLES.

On March 1, 1956, [redacted] Chief of Protective Services, Veterans Administration Center, provided SA TOWNSEND the name of [redacted] presently employed under Federal Civil Service as a [redacted]

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[redacted] as a possible suspect [redacted] recalled that [redacted] during World War II, was a [redacted] for a period following the war and that while there he wrote several letters to then President TRUMAN. [redacted] recalled the letters were extremely obscene and lewd. They were written anonymously but were traced to [redacted] by the United States Secret Service. At

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the time, according to [] recollection, [] was found incompetent and, therefore, not prosecuted.

[] voluntarily appeared at the office of [] and readily furnished exemplars of his handwriting along lines dictated by SA TOWNSEND.

These handwriting samples of [] were compared with the questioned specimens in question by the Federal Bureau of Investigation Laboratory which, on March 29, 1956, reported [] had not prepared the threatening letter to Mr. DULLES.

Also contacted at the Brentwood Neuropsychiatric Hospital on March 1, 1956, but unable to furnish any possible suspects were Captain [] Security Section; [] Executive Office; A. UNGER, M.D., who observed the copy of the questioned handwriting in this matter and stated that it is distinctly different than the handwriting of a former patient, name not recalled by him, who wrote numerous obscene letters to Dr. UNGER sometime ago.

As previously reported, Los Angeles files revealed the name of Mrs. MARY LEVAN, aka Mrs. Mary B. Levan, Mary B. Jacobs, last known address 626 Venice Boulevard, Los Angeles, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department No. 316862, as a person who had written numerous letters to officials in the Government including the President and had been placed in a psychopathic ward in October, 1953, following her apprehension by Secret Service Special Agents in Washington, D.C., where she went to see the President in behalf of her son.

On April 24, 1956, the Federal Bureau of Investigation Laboratory advised that Mrs. LEVAN did not prepare the questioned documents in this matter.

On March 20, 1956, the Pittsburgh Office provided Los Angeles with information that on the [] one

[] age [] was arraigned before the United States Commissioner at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, for writing a threatening letter to President EISENHOWER. Pittsburgh noted that [] wrote the threatening letter to the President from Los Angeles, California, on December 15, 1955, and observed that [] has previously served short periods of time in the Army and the United States Air Force.

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On March 23, 1956, Pittsburgh was requested to obtain handwriting samples from [redacted] for consideration by the Federal Bureau of Investigation Laboratory.

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On March 30, 1956, the Bureau provided Washington Field Office with pertinent information regarding [redacted] Federal Bureau of Investigation No. [redacted] who was [redacted]

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[redacted] at the same time relaying information obtained by Pittsburgh from SA [redacted] United States Secret Service, who advised that the original letter sent by [redacted] to the President is on file in the Protective Research Section, White House, Washington, D.C., as document No. [redacted] further stated that interview with [redacted] disclosed he could have been in Los Angeles during June, 1955, (which is the pertinent period to instant matter) after running away from a hospital in [redacted] during April, 1955. [redacted] stated that when arrested, [redacted] first denied writing the letter to President EISENHOWER but subsequently admitted doing so and gave his reason that he disliked treatment while in the United States Army and felt he had to kill the President.

Washington Field Office on April 9, 1956, obtained from [redacted] Protective Research Section, United States Secret Service, a photographic copy of the [redacted] letter and other available handwriting specimens, all of which were furnished to the Federal Bureau of Investigation Laboratory on April 19, 1956, for comparison with questioned documents in this matter. The Federal Bureau of Investigation Laboratory has them under their consideration presently.

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WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

At Washington, D.C.: *(1) Will, at the Presidential Research Section, Secret Service, attempt to develop any logical suspects in this case, using the typed copy on the questioned letter as set out in the report of SA FRANK H. TOWNSEND dated August 19, 1955, at Los Angeles as a guide to assist in searching the modus operandi file there.

*(2) Will submit to the FBI Laboratory any logical specimens so located for comparison with the questioned documents in this matter.

LOS ANGELES OFFICE

At Los Angeles, California: Will report the results of Laboratory comparison handwriting of [redacted] with questioned documents.

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REFERENCES

Report of SA FRANK H. TOWNSEND dated March 1, 1956, Los Angeles.

Pittsburgh air-tel to Los Angeles dated March 20, 1956.

Los Angeles air-tel to Pittsburgh dated March 23, 1956.

Pittsburgh air-tel dated March 28, 1956, to Bureau and Los Angeles.

Washington Field Office letter to FBI Laboratory dated April 19, 1956.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (9-28353)

DATE: 5/22/56

FROM : *111m* SAC, WFO (9-978)SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
John Foster Dulles - VIETNAM
EXTORTION

Re report SA FRANK H. TOWNSEND, Los Angeles, 4/30/56, which sets forth results of previous FBI Laboratory examinations and a lead to report results of Laboratory comparison of the handwriting of [redacted] with questioned documents.

[redacted] Assistant to [redacted] Room 98, Old State Department Building, Protective Research Section, Secret Service, Treasury Department, advised SA [redacted] on 5/14/56 that a search of a photographic copy of the questioned letter (set out in report of SA FRANK H. TOWNSEND dated 8/19/55 at Los Angeles) through the modus operandi file in his office failed to produce any suspects. He advised that he would retain the photographic copy in his file and would advise WFO should any future document examination indicate a suspect.

Inasmuch as WFO conducted no investigation except to obtain documents for the laboratory examination, the results of which are being set out by Los Angeles, no report is being submitted by WFO. *LA* is requested to include information in this letter in the next report. RUC.

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2-Los Angeles (9-1756)
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On May 22, 1956, the Washington Field Office advised that []
[] Protective Research Section, Room 98, Old State
Department Building. Secret Service, Treasury Department, had provided
Special Agent [] on May 14, 1956, the information that his
office had failed to produce any suspects. [] said a photo-
graphic copy of the questioned letter pertinent in this case, had been
searched through the MO File in his office. He said he would retain the
photographic letter in his file and in the event any future document
examination should indicate a suspect, he would advise the Washington Field
Office.

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Inasmuch as all logical leads in this case have been exhausted,
it is being closed.

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REFERENCES: Washington Field Office letter to the Bureau, attention
FBI Laboratory dated April 11, 1956.
FBI Laboratory report to Washington Field, CC Los Angeles,
dated April 26, 1956.
Report of Special Agent FRANK H. TOWNSEND dated April 30,
1956.
Washington Field Office letter to the Bureau, CC Los Angeles,
dated May 22, 1956.

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SAC, Pittsburgh (9-1145)

June 12, 1956

Director, FBI (9-28353)

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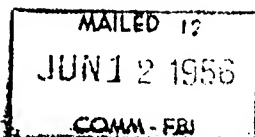
Attached is a copy of Laboratory report dated 4/26/56, directed to the SAC, Washington Field Office, a copy of which was furnished the Los Angeles office, concerning the results of the comparison of the questioned evidence in instant case with the known handwriting of

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1 - Los Angeles (9-1756)

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Date: 6-8-56

Transmit the following message via AIR TEL

(Priority or Method of Mailing)

From SAC, Pittsburgh (9-1145)

To: Director, FBI (9-28353) (ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY)

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
JOHN FOSTER DULLES - VICTIM
EXTORTION
(OO: Los Angeles)

Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Nichols	_____
Mr. Boardman	_____
Mr. Belmont	_____
Mr. Mason	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Parsons	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Tamm	_____
Mr. Winterrowd	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Mr. Holloman	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

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Re PG air-tel to the Bureau, 3/24/56, and WFO letter to the Bureau, 4/19/56.

The Bureau is requested to advise PG of the results of the Laboratory examination so that suspect, may be interviewed.

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- 3 - Bureau (9-28353)
- 1 - Los Angeles (9-1756)
- 2 - Pittsburgh (9-1145)

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Mr. Rosen
cc: MR. ROSEN
AND ~~ASSISTANT~~
INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

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Approved: *JYS*
RRH Special Agent in Charge

Sent: _____ M Per: _____

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PITTSBURGH OFFICE

MAY, 1956

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UNSUB; JOHN FOSTER DULLES - Victim; EXTORTION	9-28353	9-1145	Reourlet to Bur 3/28/56 and WFO let to Bur 4/10/56 Only investigation to be conducted PG is to inter- view Suspect [redacted] [redacted] This will be done when Lab submits results of examination as out- lined in relets. b6 b7C

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SAC, LOS ANGELES (9-1756)

UNSUB; JOHN FOSTER DULLES, VICTIM, EXTORTION.

Re Pittsburgh airtel 6/8/56 and Bulet 6/12/56.

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[redacted] FBI Lab report dated 4/26/56 indicates [redacted] did not prepare extortion letter this case. LA advise Pittsburgh desirability of interviewing [redacted]

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cc: 1 - Pittsburgh (9-1145)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (9-28353)

DATE: June 20, 1956

FROM : SAC, PITTSBURGH (9-1145)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT; JOHN FOSTER DULLES - VIKEX
OO: Los Angeles

Re Pittsburgh letter to Director 3/26/56 and Bufile re Pitts-
burgh 6/12/56.

By airtel dated 6/15/56 Los Angeles advised that in view of
the Laboratory findings it will not be necessary to interview
[REDACTED]

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Since Pittsburgh conducted no investigation in this case,
this case is being RUC'd administratively.

2-Bureau (9-28353)
1-Los Angeles (9-1756)
1-Pittsburgh (9-1145)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : L. B. NICHOLS

DATE:

FROM : D. J. PARSONS

SUBJECT:

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Nichols _____
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Belmont _____
Mohr _____
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Rosen _____
Tamm _____
Trotter _____
Tele. Room _____
Holloman _____
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There is enclosed the file which has been maintained in the Laboratory in connection with the above-captioned matter. It is desired that this file be maintained as an enclosure behind the main file in the Records Branch.

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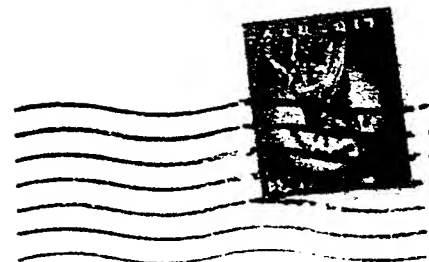
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1148 Venice Ave.
Los Angeles, Calif.



Mr John Foster Dulles
Secretary of State
Washington 25, D.C.

9-10-55

to 39 P 6/29

7/1/39 J. H. Foster, Dallas,

...the
...because,
you, you are by him Black as one of
the world's biggest five Bastards
there next if you are trying to get
us in another war you better be
the INFANTRYMAN in a rifle Co.
commonly called annon fodder. I was
in the 2nd Infantry division in the
last POLICE ACTION. I was lucky and
come home with minor wounds but
what of the men who were with me??
What about the people there?? If you
weren't there and up any of your
friends were there they were stationed
at Corp Headquarters but never, never,
"on the line"

What are you doing at?

Well tell me just what the FOCK

are all flying 40 miles from Russia

out?? The last time it was

50 miles. Why not just fly over on
bomb that country and start a

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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hate and our whole fucking
nation is a war. Of course men
who want a "steady" ass (married)
will be out this time; & I won't
be the cannon fodder this time, but
what we should do is to stick sons
and grandsons of men like you in the
Army Infantry Rifle companies and as
privates and you and your buddies
will straighten up. And to add a
kicker your daughters and granddaughters
should be placed in the legal whore
house as privates too (WAL).

If you think I'm joking I'm
not because I don't want my friends,
my neighbors, or my god damn war
you guys start and I don't want to
have my wife or some other bastard
could fuck her while I'm in the
army. How your wife fuck
a nigro while you were alive???

* In order to stop any further
actions of aggression on our part I'm
going to try to kill you the next
time another provocation on our part
appears. At least this way I'm
to stand a chance, the other way

to die or be called a coward and
lose my way of earning a living.

I hope I am going to kill
you IF I see you in the future
where ever you are in the future.

What would we do if a
Russian airplane flew 100 miles from
our borders? What right we would
shoot the bastard down; so, remember
another incidents and you may as
well give up living because I promise
to kill you. This is not a crash
threat nor a rash action but a
matter of self preservation.

Reasoning

I'll only get the chair or gas
chamber if I am caught after you are
dead and I will win the victory.

If I let you live I will live
line of propaganda and I will lose
my life but my country with freedom;
so, this time I glad that you will
be on the shit eating end of the stick.

I think the life you
will be your own

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Recorded 7/11/55
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LAB FILE

Re: ~~UNCLAS.~~
JOHN FOSTER DULLES - VICTIM EXTORTION

File #
Lab. # D-207837 DG

Examination requested by: Mr. Boardman
~~7/11/55~~

Date of reference communication: 7/11/55

Date received: 7/11/55

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Result of Examination:

Examination by: Marshall

Specimens submitted for examination

- Q1 Envelope addressed to "Mr. John Foster Dulles Secretary of State Washington 25, D.C." postmarked "Los Angeles, Calif. June 25, 1955 12 _M."
- Q2 Handwritten three page letter beginning "Mr. John Foster Dulles, I have" and ending "..... save will be your own."
- John Foster Dulles*
- 6/25/55*
- 11/55*

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICELaboratory Work SheetRecorded 7/11/55
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Re: UNSUB.;
JOHN FOSTER DULLES - VICTIM EXTORTIONFile #
Lab. # D-207837 DGMr. Boardman
Examination requested by: ~~SAC, Los Angeles~~

Date of reference communication: 7/11/55

Date received: 7/11/55

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Result of Examination:

Examination by: Marshall

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Fingerprint exam -
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- Q1 Envelope addressed to "Mr. John Foster Dulles Secretary of State Washington 25, D.C." postmarked "Los Angeles, Calif. June 25, 1955 12 _M."
- Q2 Handwritten three page letter beginning "Mr. John Foster Dulles, I have" and ending "..... save will be your own."

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Specimen Q14 & Q15 Through AHP - III B, III E, IV - *Q14. 1st*
Q15 - 2nd 1 in

Q1 White bond env.

Length 9.52 at top. 4.12 left end
9.45 " bottom 4.14 Rt end.

0.0040-41

No markings.

Q2. 3 sheets white onion skin type paper

Top 8.51 LE 10.96

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No markings

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~~44~~ 44-111Re: UNSUB;
JOHN FOSTER JONES - VICTIM
EXTORTIONFile #
Lab. # D-208322 DG

Examination requested by: SAC, Los Angeles (9-1756)

Date of reference communication: Let. 7/15/55

Date received: 7/19/55

Examination requested: Doc.

Result of Examination:

Examination by: MARSHALL

*Q1+2 940 22 K1.**7/21 8 AM.*
Specimens submitted for examination

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Q 142 No 20 K2 but N.C. K3. Too limited. Was in comp. saw mail.

Re: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

File # 100-363
Lab. # 100-117

Date of reference communication: Let. 9-13-55

Date received: 9-15-55

Examination requested: Doc.

Result of Examination:

Examination by: Marshall

Q142 No 22 K4.

Q1+2 H.C. Kc5. Lim comp K. Nothing sig.

Q1 & 2 H.C. Kb. Durchschnitt.

Specimens submitted for examination

9/21

At the time of the hearing, Mr. [redacted] was [redacted] years old.

Not even a hint of a connection between the murder of North and the
division, let alone any other, has been made by the FBI.

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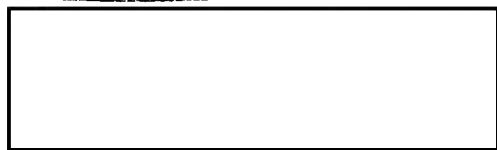
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LAB FILE

Re: UNSUB.;
JOHN FOSTER DULLES -
VIKEX

File # 9-28353
Lab. # D-212651 DG

Examination requested by: SAC, Los Angeles (9-1756)

Date of reference communication: Let. 9-28-55 Date received: 10-3-55

Examination requested: Doc.

Result of Examination:

Examination by: Marshall

Q1+2 No 92 Kc7.

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Specimens submitted for examination *8/11/6*

Kc7 Photostat of an env. and nine-page let. bearing the purported
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11-4-55 plmLaboratory Work Sheet

LAB. FILE

Re: UNSUB;
JOHN ~~JOE~~ FOSTER BULLERS - VICTIM
EXTORTIONFile # 9-22353
Lab. # D-21195

Examination requested by: SAC, Milwaukee (9-520)

Date of reference communication: let. 11-1-55 Date received: 11-3-55

Examination requested: Document

Result of Examination:

Examination by: MARSHALL

Q1 & Q2 No 22/KF.

Specimens submitted for examinationK3 One sheet of ruled paper bearing the known
handwriting specimens of b6
b7c

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- Huntington Foster

Los Angeles Calif

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Re: UNSUB;
JOHN FOSTER DUNLIS - VICTIM
EXTORTIONFile # 9-28053
Lab. # 9-217159 TO

Examination requested by: SAC, Los Angeles (9-1756)

Date of reference communication: Let 12/6/55

Date received: 12/8/55

Examination requested: Document

Result of Examination:

Examination by: Marshall

Q1 & Q2 No 22 K9.

12/12/55

Specimens submitted for examination

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Re: UNSUB;
JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
MURDERFile # 44-38861
Lab. # 44-38861-100

Examination requested by: SAC, Los Angeles (9-1756)

Date of reference communication: Let 1/10/56

Date received: 1/16/56

Examination requested: Document

Result of Examination:

Examination by: Marshall

5142 No 20 K10.

Specimens submitted for examination 1/24 JMLK10 Five pages bearing the kn hw of b6
b7c

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LAB FILE

Re: UNSUB.,
JOHN FOSTER DYLLIS - VICTIM
EXTORTIONFile # 9-28353
Lab. # D-219882 DG

Examination requested by: SAC, Los Angeles (9-1756)

Date of reference communication: Letter 1/17/56 Date received: 1/23/56

Examination requested: Document

Result of Examination:

Examination by: MARSHALL

*Q1 + 2 Yes 32 K 4**1/26 JPM*Specimens submitted for examination

K11 Two sheets of paper bearing the known handwriting of

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b7C*1/26 JPM*

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Re:

File #

Lab. #

Examination requested by:

SAC, Los Angeles (44-111)

Date of reference communication:

Oct. 3, 1956

Date received:

3/16/56

Examination requested:

Doc.

Result of Examination:

Examination by: ARSHALL

Q1 * Q2 26 22 K13

Specimens submitted for examination

K13 Three sheets of ruled paper ~~all~~ bearing the known handwriting
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LAB. FILE

Re: UNSUB;
JOHN FOSTER DILLON -
VIKEXFile # 9-21353
Lab. # D-224967 DG

Examination requested by: SAC, Minneapolis (9-696)

Date of reference communication: Let 3/26/56 Date received:

Examination requested: Document

Result of Examination: Examination by: Marshal 1

Q1+2 76 78 K14

4/4 30MM

Specimens submitted for examination

K14 One seven-page letter dated 6/12/55, one-page letter dated 6/1/55, one-page letter dated 4/8/55, one-page letter dated 2/12/55, one-page letter dated 8/25/54 and a one-page letter addressed to the Veterans Administration all bearing the known handwriting of LEE WRIGHT ARNOLD.

Return

John & Julia

San Francisco Calif H. L. L.
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John & Julia Family

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LAB FILE

Re: UNSUB.;
JOHN FOSTER DULLES
VIKEX

File # 9-28353
Lab. # D-225819 DG

Examination requested by: SAC, WFO (9-978)

Date of reference communication: Let 4/11/56

Date received: 4/12/56

Examination requested: Document

Result of Examination:

Examination by: Marshall

Q1 + Q2 26 28 K15.

Specimens submitted for examination

K15 An envelope; / an airmail envelope addressed ~~to~~ "To President Eisenhower," and accompanying one-page handwritten letter; and an airmail envelope addressed "Mrs Mamie Eisenhower,..." and accompanying nine-page handwritten letter all bearing the known handwriting of MRS. MARY ELIZABETH VAN.

Return to:

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4-24-56
SLO m: d: d*

Washington D.C.

July 1944

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Re: UNSUB;
JOHN POSTAL TOLSON - VIOL
EXTORTIONFile # 100-33333
Lab. # 100-33333-1

Examination requested by: SAC, Washington Field (100-970)

Date of reference communication: Let 4/19/56

Date received: 4/20/56

Examination requested: Document

Result of Examination:

Examination by: Marshall

Q1 + 2 96 2d K16

7/24 8 AM

Specimens submitted for examinationK16 Photograph of an envelope and accompanying letter dated 12/13/55,
six envelopes and two sheets of paper all bearing known handwriting
and/or hand printing of .b6
b7c

Q1422

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Washington District
Dear Los Angeles